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Cothen New Head of N. O. Seminary

NEW ORLEANS (BP)—Grady C. Cothen, president of Oklahoma Baptist University in Shawnee for the past four years, has been elected president of New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary here, effective immediately.

Dr. Cothen

Cothen, former executive secretary of the Southern Baptist General Convention of California, succeeds H. Leo Eddleman, who resigned in January, 1970 to become executive vice president of Religious Heritage of America, a patriotic foundation in Washington, D. C.

Just three weeks before Cothen was elected as his successor, Eddleman was named to a newly-created position as "doctrinal reader" for the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville.

Cothen was elected president of the seminary he attended as a student by the unanimous vote of the New Orleans board of trustees meeting in a called session here.

He was recommended to the board by a committee headed by J. Norris Palmer, pastor of First Baptist Church, Baton Rouge, La. Palmer said his committee had compiled information on 68 different persons recommended for the position. Recommendations came from the seminary's faculty, students and alumni.

Though Cothen accepted the position effective immediately, he is not expected to move to the campus until mid-November, according to an announcement from board chairman A. Morgan Brian, a New Orleans attorney.

In the interim period, acting president James Mosteller will continue to serve in the president's office and will work with Cothen in effecting a smooth transition, Brian said.

Brian said the unanimous selection of Cothen was "evidence of the divine leadership of God."

In accepting the position, Cothen said he was honored by the election, but added quickly: "the future of the seminary is not so much a matter involved not so much with prestige and honor but with the problems of a polarized society.

"The needs of our world are so great that we should be occupied with the proclamation and application of the love of God," Cothen continued. "Historically, Baptists are fitted to meet this challenge of the age. . . .

"Theologically and from the point of view of polity, Baptists are uniquely equipped to serve this age," he said. "The New Orleans seminary must be dedicated to equipping the servants of the churches intellectually and spiritually. We shall redouble our efforts at academic excellence and in trying to help students develop spiritual resources adequate" for the times.

Active in denominational affairs, Cothen was first vice president of the Southern Baptist Convention in 1962, and he preached the annual convention sermon at the SBC when it met in Denver, June 1-4, 1970.

In that sermon, Cothen urged Southern Baptists to love each other more and criticize each other less. Taking a moderate stance, Cothen praised Christians who seek to express their faith through social action, and decried those who criticize others and point accusing fingers at "heretics."

"We can call nearly anyone 'liberal' and it can mean nearly anything," Cothen said in the SBC sermon. "I

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Insurance Settlement For Assembly Property Given

Final results of the insurance settlement incident to the Gulfshore and Kittiwake assembly properties have been announced by Dr. Beverly Tinnin, of Meridian, chairman of the Assemblies Study Committee of the State Convention, following a meeting of the group in Jackson.

A total of $722,000 has been received from the insurance companies in payment of claim filed by the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board in connection with the damage resulting from Hurricane Camille on Aug. 17 of last year, according to Dr. W. Douglas Hudgins, Jackson, the Board's executive secretary.

According to Dr. Tinnin, the sum of $100,000 has been restored to the Convention's Reserves, repaying that amount originally allocated by the Convention for application on the down payment for the Gulfshore property when it was purchased from the General Services Administration of the U. S. Government.

The sum of $23,790, representing inventory losses paid for by the Assembly management, and $15,941, representing actual salvage and cleanup costs incurred since the hurricane, were credited to the Convention's treasury.

In addition, legal fees and engineering costs incident to the Convention's claims filed with the various insurance firms amounting to the $5,900.09, all paid in full, were deducted from the gross payment.

With all obligations and indebtedness against the two properties paid in full, the sum of $576,368.91 is now on deposit in a special account and cannot be expended except on the authorization of the Convention, according to Dr. Tinnin.

Dr. Tinnin also noted in the announcement that the monies now on deposit would be the only known source of revenue for any effort at reestablishing an assembly facility.

The committee is expected to make a progress report at the Convention in November.

Other members of the Assemblies Study Committee are Rev. Dan Morton, Amory; Ralph Reeves, McComb; Rev. Gail DeBord, Long Beach, and James Roberts, Oxford.

Successful Trustees' Seminar Held

SEVERAL PARTICIPANTS IN the Seminar for institutional trustees had a few moments of fellowship just before the program began. From left: Earl Eddins, assistant administrator of Baptist Hospital; Jack Ewing, Jackson Children's Village trustee; Cecil Travis, Jackson attorney, speaker; Dr. John G. McCall, Vicksburg, convention president, speaker, and Dr. J. B. Young, Ellisville, member of Education Commission.

TWO ASSOCIATE SECRETARIES from the SBC Annuity Board, speakers on program, discuss their message with two present. From left: Fred Noe, of Annuity Board; Rev. James Yates, Yazoo City, Baptist Hospital trustee; Andrew Puckett, Columbus, member of Education Commission, and Dr. Taylor Daniel, Annuity Board.

A BANQUET SESSION Thursday evening in Fellowship Hall of First Baptist Church concluded the seminar. Several leaders present were, from left: Rev. Larry Rohrman, host pastor and member of Education Commission; Dr. Earl Kelly, Jackson, chairman of Executive Committee of Convention Board; Dr. W. Douglas Hudgins, executive secretary; Mrs. Dawn Gandy of Hattiesburg, soloist; Dr. Louie D. Newton, Atlanta, speaker, and Alex McKeigney, Jackson, chairman of Education Commission.

A seminar for the trustees of the institutions of the Mississippi Baptist Convention was held at the Mississippi Baptist Convention Building Thursday and Friday of last week.

Dr. W. Douglas Hudgins, executive secretary of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board, said that this was the first seminar of its kind in the history of the convention.

The program opened at 10:30 Thursday morning with the devotional rendered by Dr. Joe T. Odle, editor of the Baptist Record, followed by purpose and objectives, by Dr. Hudgins.

Three messages completed the morning session, as follows:

"The Origin and Growth of Our Institutions," by Dr. R. A. McLemore, of Clinton, executive secretary of the Mississippi Baptist Historical Commission; "Method of Electing Trustees," by Dr. John G. McCall, of Vicksburg, president of the Mississippi Baptist Convention, and "The Legal Responsibilities of Convention Trustees," by Earl T. Thomas, of Jackson, attorney for the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board.

Thursday afternoon's session, which began at 2:00 o'clock, included the following addresses:

"The Trustee and His Institution's Community Relationship," by Cecil F. Travis, Jackson attorney; "Creating and Maintaining a Proper Image Through Publicity," Purser Hewitt, Jackson, executive editor of the Clarion - Ledger; "Accreditation Standards and Problems," Dr. E. R. Jobe, of Jackson, a member of the denomination's Education Commission; "The Trustee and His Institution's Finances," Dr. Taylor Daniel, associate secretary, Annuity Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, Dallas; "A Five Year Glance at the Money Market," Fred Noe, also associate sec-

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HMB Names 18, Including State Couple

ATLANTA (BP) — Eighteen men and women including a Las Vegas strip minister, were recently appointed by the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board as career missionaries.

Most of the 18 have already begun working in locations from Maine to Nevada, and are joint appointees of state Baptist conventions in three areas.

Appointed by the department of Christian social ministries were: Gayle Dollar, Albuquerque, N. M.; Brenda Forlines, Philadelphia, Pa.; Carl and Julia Holden, Worcester, Mass.; Melva Lightsey, Des Moines, Iowa; Roy and Sara Nickell, Atlanta, Ga; and Ruby Otto, Lewiston, Me.

During the past summer these missionaries participated in the first Christian social ministries training program in the Atlanta Home Mission Board office. The program consisted of lecture sessions each morning and field work in mission spots throughout the area in the afternoons.

Sponsored by the department of pioneer missions are: John and Rertie Davis, Central New York; Duane and Fay Ivey, Chelsea, Mass.; and James and Janice Reid, Las Vegas, Nev.

Miss Dollar, a native of Pulaski County, Ga., is working in a Baptist community center in Albuquerque, N. M., a member of the Central Baptist Association of New Mexico. She was a student summer worker in New Mexico in 1965. In addition to her seminary degree she earned an undergraduate degree from Tift College,

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California Board Recommends Federal Aid Policy Statement

FRESNO, Calif. (BP)—The Executive Board of the Southern Baptist General Convention of California recommended approval of a committee study outlining a policy for the convention concerning government aid to Baptist statewide institutions.

The study report would rule out government grants or gifts, and forbids low-interest rate loans to state convention boards, agencies and institutions.

The policy, which must be approved by the state convention in November, would permit long-term loans from government sources "at a going rate of interest," and concludes that grants and loans to students do not compromise the Baptist stand on separation of church and state.

In another major action, the board members drafted a letter to President Richard M. Nixon urging him to appoint a new presidential commission to study pornography and obscenity.

The letter to the President expressed disappointment over press reports on the findings of the Commission on Obscenity and Pornography appointed mostly by the previous administration, and urged Nixon to appoint a new study commission.

In other actions, the board recommended adoption of a record $2.7 millionbudget for 1971, and heard an "encouraging" report on statewide church giving during 1970.

The record $2.7 million budget includes a state Cooperative Program budget goal of almost $1.4 million for 1971, with 26 per cent going to Southern Baptist world mission causes outside the state.

An increase of about $40,000, the total budget was held below the previously authorized amount of annual increase in an effort to give a significant overage which would benefit California Baptist College, a convention official said.

Robert Hughes, executive secretary of the convention, reported that Cooperative Program contributions through August in California were short of the goal for the year by only $6,957. Hughes said there is a distinct possibility for a "considerable advance section" over the budget to benefit the Baptist school in Riverside, Calif.

Both the 1971 budget and the policy

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Billy Graham Suggests 'Very Tough' Policy on Hijackers

CLEVELAND (RNS) — Evangelist Billy Graham said here that the U.S. and other free powers "should get very tough" with airplane hijackers.

"I would be interested to see what the Russians would do in a hijacking," Mr. Graham said. "Russia doesn't take any nonsense." He added that El Al, the Israeli airline, also does "not take any nonsense."

Palestinian guerrillas are "a small minority of the Arab world and I feel sorry for King Hussein (of Jordan) whom I know personally," he said. "Our efforts should be to support the king because he is a moderate."

Mr. Graham touched on the Mid East crisis — "Although this is a delicate period," he said — during a news conference here.

He called reporters together to announce a major crusade in Cleveland some time in 1972. A local committee had requested a date in 1971 but Mr. Graham has already scheduled 1971 crusades in Chicago, Oakland and Dallas.

Later, he told some 2,000 lay persons, clergymen and area mayors at a breakfast meeting that the 10-day evangelical crusade would be held in the Cleveland Municipal Stadium.

Mr. Graham's last visit here — involving a single speech — was made in 1956. Cleveland is one of the few major cities in the world not to have sponsored one of his crusades. By 1972, Cleveland's committee will have had 18 additional months to plan the crusade, the evangelist said.

He spoke for about 30 minutes before Mayor Carl B. Stokes, who was to welcome him, could appear.

"And I thought I was coming into a conservative town," Dr. Graham joked as he eyed Mr. Stokes' bright yellow sport coat.

Teenagers and young adults made up a sizeable minority of the crowd at the breakfast meeting, no surprise to Mr. Graham. He said that 70 per cent of those attending his crusades are young people under 25.

"If they think you're sincere and tell it like it is, they may not agree

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Broadman Plans 1-Volume Bible Commentary

NASHVILLE (BP)—A one-volume Bible commentary, the first of its kind ever to be published by Broadman Press, is being planned with publication tentatively set for May 1972.

Editors for "The Teacher's Bible Commentary" will be H. Franklin Paschall, pastor of First Baptist Church, Nashville, Old Testament; and Herschel H. Hobbs, pastor of First Baptist Church, Oklahoma City, New Testament.

Joseph F. Green of Broadman Press will act as editorial coordinator.

The publication is planned in response to the 1965 Southern Baptist Convention action in Dallas, in which the convention referred to the elected members of the Sunday School Board a motion "That we request the Sunday School Board to undertake the publication of a single volume commentary with Southern Baptist authors."

Designed to deal with actual questions about the Bible asked by Sunday School teachers, the commentary will be written entirely by Southern Baptists who are recognized for their qualifications to write in the biblical field.

Names of authors will be announced when selected.

Broadman Press is the general books publishing arm of the Southern Baptist Convention.

Vatican Official Has Meeting With Mission Personnel

ATLANTA (BP)—Ecumenical dialogue can foster Christian unity between Christians of different denominations, a Catholic priest told a group of Home Mission Board staffers recently. Father Jerome Hamer, General Secretary for the Vatican Secretariat for Christian Unity met with the group at a luncheon recently.

Father Hamer, traveling in this country for meetings with major denominations, stressed the need for friendships between persons and personal contacts as a means of aiding ecumenical work. Catholic-Baptist dialogues should include honest discussions of group differences and group problems, the Belgian priest ex-

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Speaker Discusses Baptists and the Bible

By K. Owen White

Dr. K. Owen White is a retired Southern Baptist pastor and denominational leader, who now lives in Tuscon, Arizona. He is a former president of the Southern Baptist Convention. This message was the closing address at the pre-convention Affirming the Bible Conference at Denver. It is slightly abridged.

I read some well known verses from the 55th Chapter of Isaiah. "For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, saith the Lord. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways, and my thoughts than your thoughts. For as the rain cometh down, and the snow, from heaven, and returneth not thither but watereth the earth, and maketh it bring forth and bud, that it may give seed to the sower, and bread to the eater: So shall my word be that goeth forth out of your mouth: it shall not return unto me void; but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper in the thing whereto I sent it."

Multiplied millions of people listened to a voice last year from outer space. It was not the voice of God but it quoted the Word of God. "In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth. And the earth was without form and void; and darkness was upon the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God moved upon the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters." Two other voices joined in the reading as our astronauts orbited the moon. God has spoken and he has spoken through the Bible which is His word.

What If Without The Bible?

What would we know of God if it were not for the Bible. Vague superstitions, empty traditions, meaningless myths, would be a poor substitutions, empty traditions, meaningless myths, would be a poor substitute for the ringing affirmation, "Thus saith the Lord." What would Southern Baptists do apart from the Bible? Well, in the first place there would be no Baptists but for the Bible. For we are the off-spring of the Bible. Born again by the Word of God which lives and abides forever. Baptists are a New Testament people and the New Testament is a portion of the Bible. We accept it as sole and sufficient rule for faith and practice and Baptists, those who are worthy of the name, look upon it as the highest court of appeal.

Divine Inspiration

I recognize the fact that not everyone will agree with the statement which I wish to make now. I simply want to say that I regard the Bible as given to us by divine inspiration, by revelation, and therefore inerrant. Not everyone will agree with that. In fact, some will disagree rather violently, for you see a highly technical, sophisticated, materialistic, secular, humanistic age doesn't put much credence in the miraculous and the supernatural. But I believe in miracles and so do you. Now the

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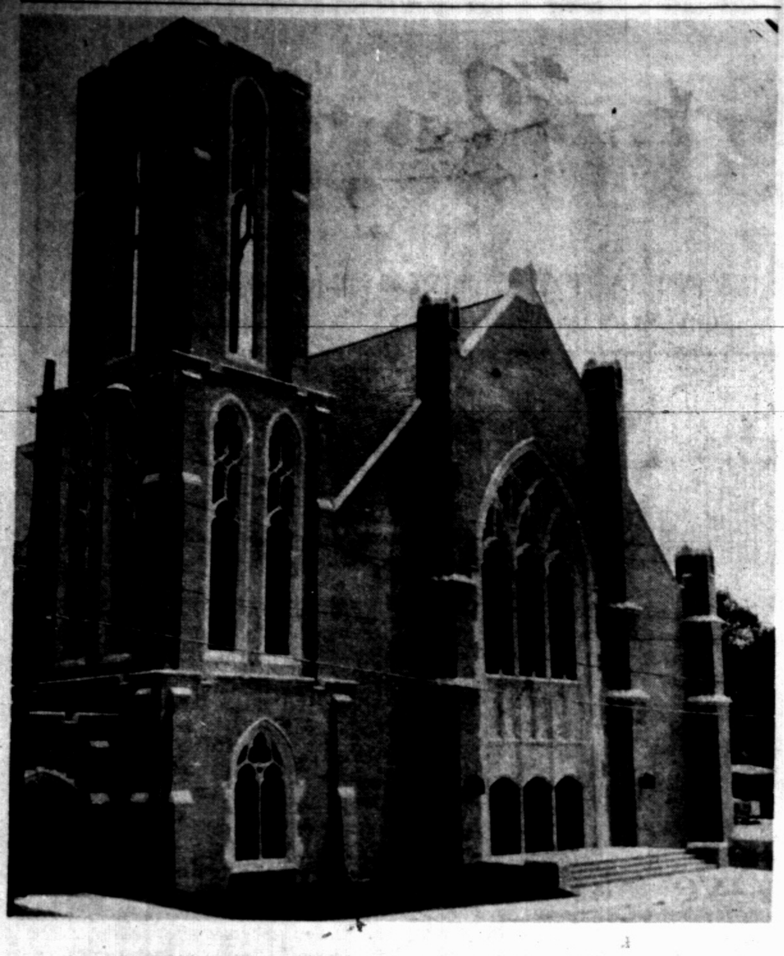

TOP PHOTO shows new sanctuary of First Baptist Church in Laurel which was dedicated Sunday, Sept. 13. Lower photo shows inside view of building.

New Sanctuary of First, Laurel Dedicated Sept. 13

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Sunday Sept. 13 marked the formal opening of the new sanctuary of First Baptist Church in Laurel, located on the corner of Sixth Avenue and Fifth Street.

The new church was completed earlier this year and occupied by the membership for the first time on Sunday, June 28.

The first services initiated the new structure on a high note as overflow crowds came to worship in the lovely sanctuary and a number of new members were received into the fellowship of the church.

Activities for Sunday centered around the official opening of the building with the highlight of the day being the dedication services during the regular morning worship hour beginning at 10:30 a.m.

Special features of interest during the day included an organ recital by Dr. Donald Winters, interim organist and a member of the staff of the Music Department of William Carey College in Hattiesburg, and an open house.

The church membership and friends from other churches attended the open house at 4 p.m. which was followed by the organ recital at 6:30 p.m.

Open house included guided tours of the new facilities, a pictorial exhibit of the various phases of construction of the new facilities, a pictorial exhibit of the various phases of construction of the new sanctuary, and delightful refreshments for the many visitors who attended.

A men's brotherhood breakfast in the fellowship hall began the day's activities. The inspiration speaker for this occasion was Dr. Joe T. Odle, editor of the Baptist Record, of Jackson.

Sunday's worship services at First Baptist sounded notes of thanksgiving, praise and challenge. At the morning worship hour, the speaker was Dr. W. Douglas Hudgins, executive secretary of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board, a former president of the Mississippi Baptist Convention and long-time pastor of the First Baptist Church in Jackson. Special music was provided by the church's chancel choir.

The evening service took the form of a special musical program with attention focused on the history and outstanding past events of the church.

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statement on government aid to Baptist agencies in the state must get final approval from the Southern Baptist General Convention of California, meeting in Riverside, Nov. 10-12.

The study on government aid was conducted by the convention's total program committee at the request of the convention in 1967.

Board members here voted to recommend that the convention "accept the findings of the total program committee study on federal aid as guidelines for the convention and its boards and agencies concerning government grants, gifts and loans."

Home Board Appoints 18

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Forsyth, Ga.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Holden are directing weekday ministries in Worcester, Mass. They will work with missionary Bob Tremaine at Worcester Baptist Church. The Holdens were appointed jointly with the Massachusetts Baptist Association.

Holden is a native of Orlando, Fla., and graduate from Mississippi College, Clinton, Miss. An ordained clergyman he also holds a master of divinity degree from Midwestern Baptist Theological Seminary.

Mrs. Holden, is also a Florida native, from Monte Verde. She is a registered nurse and has attended Mississippi College. The Holdens have two daughters, ages six and one.

Ivey is a pastoral missionary at Chelsea Baptist Chapel, Chelsea, Mass. He was appointed jointly by the board and the Massachusetts Baptist Association. The Carthage, Miss., native graduated from Mississippi College and holds bachelor and master's degrees from New Orleans Seminary. Ivey's most recent pastorate was Cape Cod Baptist Church, Falmouth, Mass.

Mrs. Ivey is a native of Brookhaven, Miss. She is a Mississippi College and New Orleans Seminary grad also and has been a teacher in the public schools of Mississippi and Massachusetts. The couple has one son, Randal.

Baptist Seminary To Begin 1970-71 Session Oct. 5

The Central Center of Mississippi Baptist Seminary, located at 3672 Delta Drive in Jackson will begin its 1970-71 session Oct. 5.

Dr. T. B. Brown, president of the seminary and dean of the Central Center, said the registration time would be 8 a. m. until noon and 1 p. m. until 6 p. m.

Courses to be offered include: Sunday School training diploma, Busy Pastor's certificate, Christian Training certificate, English Bible diploma, Christian Training diploma, Junior College diploma, diploma in advance theology, diploma in religious education, bachelor of theology degree, bachelor of religious education degree, and special subjects.

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have been called 'liberal' for trying to apply Baptist polity to a Baptist college, and more conservative than that you cannot get."

Cothen told the SBC that the greatest need is not to change Baptist policy, but to practice it.

A native of Mississippi, Cothen had been president of the Shawnee, Okla., school with about 1,500 students from 1966-70. Previously, he was executive secretary of the California Baptist state convention from 1961-66.

The son of a Baptist minister, with two preacher brothers, Cothen was pastor of First Baptist Church, Birmingham, Ala., from 1959-61; pastor of Olivet Baptist Church, Oklahoma City, 1948-59; and White Oak Baptist Church, Chattanooga, Tenn., for two years.

During World War II, he was a chaplain in the U. S. Navy.

A 1944 graduate of New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary with the master of theology degree, Cothen is also a graduate of Mississippi College, Clinton. Both Mississippi College and California Baptist College, Riverside, have awarded him honorary doctorates.

During the past year, Cothen has been chairman of a special committee on higher education of the Oklahoma Commission on Education, appointed by the governor of Oklahoma. He has also been president of the Oklahoma Independent College Foundation, an organization of private colleges in the state.

Cothen has served on numerous boards of trustees for Southern Baptist and state Baptist convention agencies and institutions, and has been a member of the Executive Committee of the Baptist World Alliance.

At one time, he was a member of the board of trustees for New Orleans Baptist Seminary. He has also been a board member for the SBC Foreign Mission Board, and the state Executive Boards of conventions on Oklahoma and Alabama.

Vatican Official - - -

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plained. "A sincere dialogue of our difficulties is also an expression of our hope," said Hamer.

The Vatican Secretariat for Christian Unity is concerned with relating to other Christian groups, world religions and non-believers. The Secretariat was founded ten years ago during the administration of Pope John XXIII to prepare for Vatican II. That preparation included establishing a theology for ecumenism.

"Training Catholics in the real work of relating to other churches meant showing them that in our own doctrine there was a theological basis for ecumenical work." Greater emphasis is also being placed on ecumenism in Catholic seminaries, Father Hamer said.

Much of the external work of his department has taken the form of bilateral dialogues with Episcopal, Lutheran, Methodist and reformed churches. He emphasized the importance of Southern Baptists' role in world missions. "My desire to get into contact with you was because I know how important your church is not only in the United States but in the world through your mission activity. I am here to learn and to listen."

Hamer said the Catholic church is recognizing the importance of the local church and the Bible for its members. "The fact that our liturgy is in the vernacular means that three scripture passages are being read to the faithful every Sunday so that finally they become well aware of the contents of the scripture even if they had no Bible at all."

He said that parishoners are being encouraged to have Bibles in their homes.

His great concern, common with Baptists, is "to give easy access to the Bible to all our Christian brethren."

Hamer would also like to see a common text of the biblical languages shared by all major denominations. "The only way we can come to a common Bible is to have the best translation of the original text."

Trustees' Seminar Held

retary of Annuity Board; "The Trustee and the Cooperative Program," Dr. Hudgins.

A banquet meeting, held at Fellowship hall at First Baptist Church at 6:30, with husbands and wives of trustees also attending, concluded the day's activities.

Dr. Louie D. Newton, of Atlanta, retired, formerly pastor of Druid Hills Baptist Church, Atlanta, and formerly president of the Southern Baptist Convention, was the banquet speaker.

Mrs. Dawn Gandy of Hattiesburg, sang a medley of numbers, accompanied by Miss Hazel Chisholm of Jackson.

The trustees of most of the institutions held their regular meetings Friday morning, which completed the program.

The institutions are: Baptist Children's Village, Mississippi Baptist Hospital, Blue Mountain College, Clarke College, Mississippi College, William Carey College and the convention's Education Commission.

Halloween Tract Now Available

American Tract Society, 660 Kinderkamack Road, Oradell, New Jersey 07649 has produced a small tract on salvation to be given out to trick-a-treaters on Halloween. It has an attractive cover of children in Halloween costumes with the title "Hi! I've Been Expecting You!" The inside two pages tell about how Jesus will be expecting them. Copies may be ordered from the above address at the price of $1.10 per one hundred.

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Evangelistic Crusade Planned At Hinds Jr. College Stadium

An Evangelistic Crusade for Hinds County will be held at the Hinds County Junior College Stadium at Raymond the week of September 27-Oct. 2. Services will be held each evening at 7:30.

The evangelist will be Rev. John Tierney, a Scottish born, Southern Baptist evangelist. Music will be under the direction of Steve Taylor, widely known music evangelist.

The meeting is interdenominational and is being sponsored by a number of churches in the area.

Convention Department—XI

The Mississippi Baptist Foundation

"September is Foundation Month, among Southern Baptists," states Rev. Carey E. Cox, executive secretary of the Mississippi Baptist Foundation since Jan. 1, 1968. "The Mississippi Baptist Foundation was incorporated in 1943 with the total assets being $13,036.80. Through the diligent efforts of the trustees and the blessings of God, the assets at the close of the fiscal year, June 30, 1970, were $3,279,740.91."

The purpose of the Baptist Foundation is to help Baptists practice total stewardship and to obtain endowment funds for state and Southern Baptist agencies and institutions. Each association this fall will elect a Foundation-Stewardship representative; then the week after the State Baptist Convention, those elected will be given training in their specific responsibilities. During the first six months of 1971, thirty-three meetings will be held in the state, to train church leadership in the work of Foundation and stewardship.

Three major emphases in the varied work of the Baptist Foundation are the investment program, the establishment of trust agreements, and the writing of wills.

A board of nine trustees assists in the administration of the Foundation's affairs. These trustees are elected by the Convention for a period of three years and are selected because of their qualifications in the field of finance and investments. Two pastors are always on the board of trustees and all service by the trustees is on a volunteer basis.

Trustees for 1969-70 include: Delmar L. Simmons, Sr., Jackson, president; C. J. Kees, Jr., Magee, vice president; A. L. Boone, Winona, chairman, Executive Committee; J. W. Barfield, Jackson, member, Executive Committee; Grady Doss, Eupora, member, Executive Committee; C. H. Kennedy, Brandon; Dr. Brooks Wester, Hattiesburg; Don R. Baker, Leland; and Dr. John H. Traylor, Jr., Gulfport.

The Foundation receives funds from endowment (money or its equivalent as a permanent fund for continuing support) of the state's Baptist colleges; memorials; gift trust agreements; life income, variable, or delayed annuity trust agreements; wills; and insurance.

All income is invested in first class securities balanced between growth and income. All income from investments and profits made on sale of investments is distributed to participants on a pro-rata share. About 150 participants receive checks from the Baptist Foundation and these are composed of colleges, institutions, seminaries, churches, Cooperative Program, and individuals.

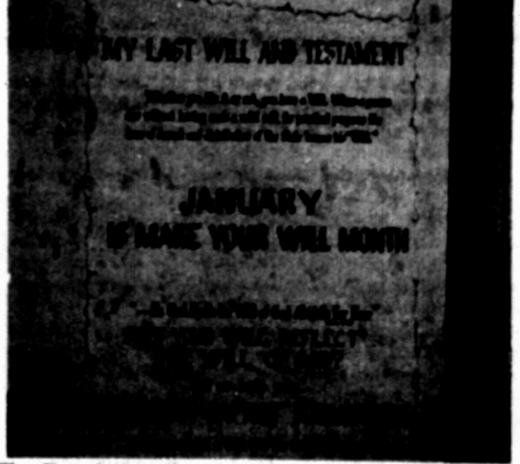
During the past three years the Foundation has added $927,730.98 to the principal of the funds in their accounts, or $10.09 for each dollar the Convention has contributed to their operation.

Through the Foundation, Christians are provided with a means whereby they can be assured that their material possessions are being used for the ongoing of Christ's Kingdom, and even though their physical presence is not seen, their spiritual witness is felt "in Jerusalem, and in all Judea, and in Samaria, and to the uttermost part of the earth."

Rev. Carey E. Cox has been executive secretary of the Mississippi Baptist Foundation since January 1, 1968.

Miss Zadeen Walton, at right, has been bookkeeper for the Foundation since November 16, 1950, and Mrs. James Crawford, left, has been office secretary since January 1, 1967.

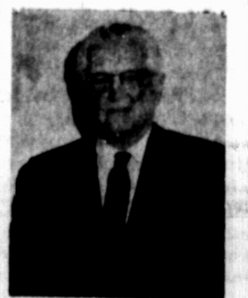
Through the Foundation, life income trusts, variable trusts, delayed trusts, or gift trusts can be established. Or memorials can be established in honor of loved ones and friends with the income allocated to a religious cause designated by the donor. Above left, the late Rev. H. J. McCool, with Rev. Carey Cox, right, arranges for a life income trust. Since his death, the income from the trust goes to Mrs. McCool.



The Foundation is glad to assist anyone in the preparation of his will if any part is to be left to the Lord's work. Increasingly people are writing wills whereby some part of their estate will go to the Foundation, to give added support to the Lord's work.

The Executive Committee of the Board of Trustees of the Foundation is in charge of investments made by the Foundation. From left: J. W. Barfield, Jackson; A. L. Boone, Winona; and Grady Doss, Eupora.

A life insurance policy is an economical means of leaving a memorial endowment to Baptist work. Small premiums on an insurance policy can one day be a large contribution to a designated denominational institution through the Baptist Foundation. Claude Townsend of Florence, pictured, is one who has made the Foundation the beneficiary of a life insurance policy.



Delmar L. Simmons, Jackson, is president of the Board of Trustees of the Foundation. One of his responsibilities is serving as ex-officio member of the Investment Committee.

Baptists And The Bible

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fact that some will not agree with us, will not gravely disturb us nor shake our confidence in the Bible as the Word of God. As a matter of fact, it will confirm that confidence. For this is exactly what the Bible itself has said. Listen for a moment. I Corinthians 2:14 — "But the natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God; for they are foolishness unto him; neither can he know them, because they are spiritually discerned."

I Timothy 1:6-7 "From which some having swerved, have turned aside unto vain jangling; Desiring to be teachers of the law; understanding neither what they say, nor whereof they affirm." Take a look at chapter 4 verse 1, "Now the Spirit speaketh expressly, that in the later times some shall depart from the faith. . ." Remember chapter three verses 1 and 5 which speaks of perilous times and a form of Godliness. Our beloved friend Ramsey Pollard reminded us earlier in the day, of the challenge of chapter 4 — "Preach the word" (always and everywhere). "For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine but after their own lust shall they heap to themselves teachers having itching ears." Brethern that time has come!

"Grew and Multiplied"

Read your history. Go back to Pentecost. Re-read the Book of Acts. Everywhere is the mighty, flaming, sword of the word of God. Predictions are confirmed, prophecies are fulfilled. The whole book is filled with Old Testament quotations. It is the Word of God at work with the power of His Spirit. As you read, you find the record saying, "the word of God grew and multiplied." You read a little further and it says, "so mightily through the word of God and prevailed." Prevailed over superstitions, prevailed over sin, prevailed over satanic powers, prevailed over human opposition, and prejudice. It prevailed mightily. It is still prevailing and it will prevail unto Jesus comes. Now to emphasize the meaning of the sessions which we have held today, let me bring you just a few quotations, which in the most overworked word in our vocabulary today, are "relevant" to the situation. I had intended, first, to quote the same portion of that fine editorial by Dr. Ashcraft, and he quoted it for me, so I shall not need to do that.

In response to the appearance of a recent Baptist publication, one of our finest theological teachers has said, "Doubt of the command to offer Isaac being God's command to Abraham given to test him as recorded in Genesis 22:2. Very plainly it is said that the command is God's command. That of the one true God, not the influence in any fashion of idolatrous practices. Yet this treatment passed doubt on the word of the Bible. After high praise for the literary form and the veracity of the account except at this point the author asks, "Did Abraham's conviction of the writer's account of this conviction correspond to a real divine request? Then he says, our answer is no! He makes Abraham's conviction merely "The climax of the psychology of his life." Now brethren, don't let anybody tell you that this is just a matter of interpretation. It is not. It is a matter of the accuracy and dependability of the Bible. The Bible says, "God said to Abraham," and the author says, my answer is "no." That's not interpretation. That's passing human judgment on the accuracy of God's word.

Baptist Conviction

One of our well known pastors in an article recently spoke about the fact that we are not a creedal people. But he also called attention to the fact that we have drawn up some statements of faith which represent a general conviction of Baptists, and I wanted to call attention to just one statement. "It was not until there appeared some departure from these basic beliefs that the convention felt the need of an official statement." He then refers to the New Hampshire confession and says this confession does make several things clear, and I like this statement, "It leaves no room for those who would throw suspicion on the Bible as the inerrant and-or authoritative word of God."

One of our professors of religion has written an article on "The Southern Baptist Dilemma." He states that his article "Argues that the convention presently lacks the fundamental basis in a fully, adequate, Christian theology, and that the search for such a basis confronts the convention with an inescapable dilemma." Somehow if that slipped by you, were you not quite conscious of that "inescapable dilemma"? Another of the professors of religion says that we need a new look at the canon, message, and authority of the Bible. He further says that modern Christians should have as much liberty in determining their canon as the church fathers had in theirs.

In reviewing W. A. Criswell's book "Look Up Brother," one of our editors quotes John Macquarrie in his book, "Principles of Christian Theology," as saying "The belief that the Bible is infallible, is one that dies hard in some parts of the Christian world." My only comment would be, "You can say that again, brother." The editor then proceeds to say, "this latest book by W. A. Criswell is ample evidence to that fact. The book is both sad and pathetic." He closes by saying, "All in all, it is a book with no intrinsic worth presenting the pathetic picture of a man attacking the character of others, while calling upon one and all to look up. Perhaps we would all be better served, if we merely looked away." In the correspondence column of the same paper, a man wrote to the editor concerning an article on the infallibility of the Bible and closed by saying, "I do wish Dr. so and so, that you would request a competent scholar to write an article from the opposite point of view, that is, the conservative point of view. The editor replied, "We do not know a competent, Biblical scholar who believes in infallibility." Brethren, welcome to the fraternity of the incompetent!

Who Is A Liberal?

W. A. Criswell has said, "Who is a theological liberal? He is a theological liberal who turns aside from the word of God, and substitutes for it his own speculation. He is a theological liberal, who judges the Holy Scriptures by his own subject we experience, and not his experience by the Scriptures. He is a theological liberal, who is infected with the deadly heresy of universalism, the belief that all men are going to be saved anyway, Christ or no Christ, acceptance or no acceptance. He is a theological liberal, who cuts the Bible to pieces, denying the supernatural, denying the miracles and revelation of God, and denying the divine inspiration of the Holy Word."

Well, I will desist from further quotations. Although there are many other things that could be noted. You will observe that I have quoted both from the liberal and from the conservative side, in order just to set before us the contrast. I hasten to add right here that our fear is not for the Bible. The Bible will not be destroyed. The Bible will not disappear from the scene of action. It isn't limping. It doesn't need a crutch. It isn't leaning. It doesn't need to be propped up.

"God's word is a strong eternal rock,
Unshaken it stands through fiercest
shock;
Though Satan and all his host may
mock,
I have faith in the Word of God."

When its enemies all have died, it will still live. When the voices of its critics have been silenced, it will still speak. As a matter of fact, it is even a little more accurate, a little more dependable, and a little more effective, than some of its critics.

Believe The Bible

Now first, I speak for myself only, yet close observation and my contact with Southern Baptists over a period of 45 years, lead me to believe that the overwhelming majority of Southern Baptists hold the convictions which I voice today. But we need to speak them. We need to affirm them in the context of this challenge to Biblical infallibility. We need to reaffirm them, not in the piping of the piccolo but the voice of the trumpet. Well, where do Southern Baptists stand? What are they going to do in the day when the infallibility and dependability of the Bible is being so blatantly challenged. Shall we ignore the termites of unbelief, and hope that they will slip away? Shall we welcome the voice of a theological liberalism, whose chief aim is to break down faith in the supernatural and the miraculous? What will Southern Baptists do? I think I know. First, **we will believe the Bible — All of it.** While others are trying to find out if it is really given by inspiration, we will believe it. While others are questioning its authorship and time of writing, we shall believe it. When others are endeavouring to decide which portions of it are true and which portions of it are false, we shall believe all of it. While others are asking multidudinous questions about it, we shall believe it.

Our faith in the Bible is not based upon either the criticism or the evaluation of others. The Samaritan woman said, "Come see a man who told me all things that ever I did. Is not this the Christ?" The Samaritans were interested enough to see for themselves, and they said. "Now we believe, not because of thy saying: We have heard him ourselves and know that this is indeed the Christ the Saviour of the world."

Others introduced us to the Bible. Others talked with us about the Bible. But we have seen it ourselves. We have read it ourselves. We have studied it for ourselves. We have felt its impact upon us. Our hearts have burned within us. We are convinced. We are fully persuaded. We simply say, "we have seen it ourselves and we know that this indeed is the word of God." We believe it because it claims to be the word of God. We believe it because it has substantiated that claim. We believe it because it bears the marks of authenticity. We believe it because its prophecies have been wonderfully fulfilled. We believe it because of that marvelous inner unity and harmony which characterizes the whole book. And we believe it because we have seen it at work in its marvelous supernatural working out of the purposes of God.

Preach The Word

What will Southern Baptists do in a day like this? Well in the second place, we shall preach it. **We shall preach it.** While others review the latest best seller, we shall preach the word. While others quote copiously from gems of literature, we will preach the word. While others are struggling to come with something "creative and relevant," we shall preach the word. While others search desperately for attractive themes and appealing subjects, we shall preach the word. While others seek to explain away its supernatural element, we shall simply preach it as it is, the word of God. Frankly acknowledging that our wisdom is not sufficient to face and deal with the awesome problems of the 20th century, we gladly accept the wisdom which is given to us from God. When the prophets stood to speak they said, "Hear the word of the Lord." They cried out, "thus saith the Lord God," and when one rather anxiously enquired "Is there any word from the Lord?" The answer was, "there is!" There is always a word from the Lord, on every issue, for every man and woman, for every family, for every community, for every church, for every nation. There is always a word from the Lord. There is no need for a new gospel, for a new age. There is no place for another gospel, for another set of circumstances. God has spoken in his word — once for all. "The faith once delivered to the saints" is the faith for all times.

When you and I speak of this gospel, it's a simple story. Simple in the sense that it is readily understandable. It centers in a person. That person is the Son of God, Christ Jesus. When we think of him we think of his marvelous, miraculous, mysterious, virgin birth. When we think of him we think of his sacrificial, substitutionary, death on Calvary. When we think of him we think of his glorious, victorious, physical, resurrection from the dead. When we think of him we think of his predicted, promised, personal, return. Someone will say those are merely worn out shibboleths. Those are merely empty cliches. They are not my brethren. Those are the plain, simple, statements of the great historical and doctrinal facts which constitute our gospel message.

Every New Testament preacher ought to be able to say, "I determined not to know anything among you save Jesus Christ and him crucified." Oh, we are interested in people. We are concerned about their suffering, their hunger, their nakedness, their injustices, the problems under which they struggle. We are concerned about people. But if we become so concerned about meeting the physical and educational and social needs of people that we forget to say to them, "you must be born again," we shall be totally unfair to them as well as to ourselves. Let's minister to the whole man in every way that we can.

Follow The Word

Well, what will Southern Baptists do? While others are trying to find out if the Bible is dependable or not. **We shall follow where it leads.** To us the Bible is not an idol. It is not a sacred relic. It is not a charm. It is not a magic "open sesame." It is our divine charter. It is the source of our strength. It is our daily guide. As clear, fresh air is to the lungs, so is the Bible to Southern Baptists. As pure, rich blood is to the system, so is the Bible to Southern Baptists. As fresh, cold water on a hot summer day, so is the Bible to Southern Baptists. As energizing, nourishing, vitalizing food, so is the Bible to Southern Baptists. As the therapeutic powers of medicine in an hour of crisis, so is the Bible to Southern Baptists. As healing balm which softens pain, so is the Bible to Southern Baptists. As the beauty of the rainbow in the midst of the storm, so is the Bible to Southern Baptist. As the sure guidance of the north star in the darkness of the night, so is the Bible to Southern Baptists. As the rudder that guides the ship upon the ocean, so is the Bible to Southern Baptists. As the beacon which brings the airliner safely to the landing strip, so is the Bible to Southern Baptists. As the firm foundation upon which the skyscraper is erected, so is the Bible to Southern Baptists. As the keen cutting edge of the two-edged sword, so is the Bible to Southern Baptists. As the hammer which crushes the rock, so is the Bible to Southern Baptists. As the fire which cleanses and purges, so is the Bible to Southern Baptists. As the seed which bears precious fruit, so is the Bible to Southern Baptists. As the rain and snow which come down from heaven to water the ground, so is the Bible to Southern Baptists. As the trumphet which sounds no uncertain sound, so is the Bible to Southern Baptists. As the eternal unchanging rock of ages, so is the Bible to Southern Baptists. As the absolute final and complete message of God to all people, of all nations and all ages, so is the Bible to Southern Baptists. It is the word of God which "lives and abides forever." We meet today not to be contentious and objectionable but to give humble testimony to what the Bible means to us. But if our testimony be humble, it is also firm. "We believe, therefore, we speak." There is eloquent testimony to what a watered down liberal theology can do to a denomination of people. It is our fervant prayer that Southern Baptists will continue to accept the challenge and follow the guidance of God's word.

An overwhelmingly majority of us have believed and preached it through the years. When it comes to following where it leads we will have to confess that we have not always been obedient, consistent, courageous or persistent. But the almost unbelievable circumstances of this age are saying to us that we had better "put up or shut up." We are being weighed in the balances. Whatever greatness we have, whatever claim we have to an impact upon this world, we owe to God's word.

R. A. Torrey

Let me share something with you which some of my preacher brethren have heard before but many of you have not. During my student days in California years ago, it was my privilege to sit for two years under the teaching of one of the great Bible teachers, preachers and evangelists of the generation which immediately preceded ours, Dr. R. A. Torrey. In the student body at that time, there was a young cowboy — tall, blond, blue eyed, from Texas. His name was Oscar Sanden. Dr. Torrey saw something in this young man which convinced him that God could use him in a great way. One day as I left the dining room, I saw the great teacher and young student seated there at the faculty table engaged in deep personal conversation together while the others were gone.

The years passed. Dr. Torrey left the school and went back into the field of evangelism. I read an article by Oscar Sanden in which he said that he was in Atlanta, Georgia when he discovered that his former teacher was there in a series of revival services. He went down at the close of the service and made his way to the platform. When Dr. Torrey saw him he recognized him and he said, "Oscar I want you to come to my hotel room in about half an hour."

Well, in due time, he presented himself at the hotel room. He said, "I saw as I walked down the hall that the door was opened. I stood for a moment at the door. Dr. Torrey was pacing back and forth in the room. When he turned and saw me from the far end of the room he looked at me with those gray eyes like steel that could pierce the very soul, and he said, "Oscar, preach the word." He said, I answered, "yes sir, that's what I'm trying to do." He said, he walked back and forth two or three times more and then I said to him, "Dr. Torrey, you're busy, you're under great pressure. I must not take your time," and he said, he looked at me again and he said, "Oscar, preach the word!" And I said, with stammering and licking my lips, "yes sir, yes, sir, that's what I want to do." He said he walked back and forth again and I stood there not knowing what to do, and finally from the far end of the room raising that voice that could be heard in a 4,000 seat auditorium with a PA system, he said, **"Oscar, preach the word!"** He said, "my hair stood on end. Goose pimples broke out all over me. His voice echoed and reechoed all down the corridor, and I said, "my soul, what will people think." But he said I only backed away and said, "yes sir, thank you sir, goodnight."

Just a few days later he was on a night train in Louisiana. He purchased an evening paper and there it was. The headlines said, "R. A. Torrey, World Renowned Evangelist Dies in His Home in North Carolina." It appears that Mrs. Torrey had left him propped up in bed with his Greek New Testament, German Bible, his American Standard, his King James and several other versions of the scripture. When she came back in the morning he was still there propped up in bed but God had called him home. Oscar said, "As I sat there on the train that night in Louisiana, every time I heard the wheels click on the joints of the rails, I could hear his voice saying, "Preach the word, preach the word, preach the word, preach the word, preach the word!!"

The Preacher's Task

My dear fellow preachers — and I mean this when I say it. For you are very dear to me. I love you and I believe in you and I'm so grateful to the Lord for your gracious fellowship. I am living in the evening time of life. I know that at the best the sands are running out for me. But how grateful I am that I have had the privilege for 50 years of preaching the word.

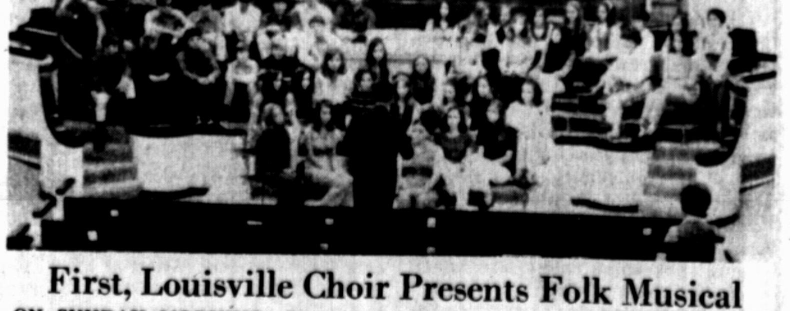
My fellow preachers, come what may, preach the word.

When others question it and discredit it, preach the word.

When others depart from it and forsake it, preach the word.

In season and out of season, in times of revival, in times of apostasy, when it is received or when it is rejected, when people commend you and when they condemn you.

In times of exaltation and in times of discouragement, in youth or in age, come what may — **preach the word!**



First, Louisville Choir Presents Folk Musical

ON SUNDAY MORNING, September 13, the Youth Choir of First Baptist Church, Louisville, presented "Now Hear It Again" a Christian folk musical by Bob Burroughs under the direction of Noxie J. Taylor, minister of music. This musical was previously presented on August 15 and 16, and the favorable reception, along with numerous requests, result in the third performance. On Sunday evening, August 23, the 46-voice choir presented "Now Hear It Again" at the Whitehave Baptist Church Memphis, and on Monday evening, August 24 at the First Baptist Church, Holly Springs. As a result of the enthusiasm created by the preparation and performance of this musical, and the limited tour, plans are being made for a more extensive tour next spring.

Welcome To Carey College

Welcome to William Carey College says Dean of Students, Dr. D. C. Martin, center, to his only daughter, Carol Janeen. Carol Janeen is a new freshman at Carey and the occasion was the president's reception on Monday evening. Religious Activities Director, Dorman Laird, joins in the welcome social. Miss Martin served as a summer missionary in Montana this summer for 10 weeks. Working primarily in Vacation Bible Schools, she experienced the thrill of pioneer work. The only high school student to do this difficult work, Carol Janeen was called upon when a college worker was disabled by illness one week after the summer program began. The summer program in Montana was sponsored by the Mississippi Baptist Convention. Dr. Martin's son, Greg, served as summer worker for the second summer.

Five Seminars In October Planned For Church Leaders

NASHVILLE — Five seminars in varied subject areas will be held for Southern Baptist church leaders during October by the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board.

"Fundamentals in Planning and Leading a Church Building Program" will offer information on planning a building program and personal consultation on individual church situations. To be held in Baltimore, Md., Oct. 12-16, the seminar will give special attention to solving problems arising from curriculum and organizational adaptations. Directors of the conference will be Rowland E. Crowder, director of field services, and Jack R. Bagwell, architectural consultant, both of the church architecture department.

At Henry Horton State Park, Chapel Hill, Tenn., a "Human Relations Laboratory" for pastors, church staff members and denominational workers will be held Oct. 12-16. Directed by Ernest E. Mosley, consultant, church administration department, the laboratory will be designed to help participants work more effectively with people, understand human motivations and relate to God more meaningfully.

Oct. 19-21, a seminar on "Improving Congregational Services" will be held at the Church Program Training Center of the Sunday School Board. Ernest Mosley of the church administration department and John R. Chandler, consultant in church music administration, church music department, will lead participants in planning and conducting congregational services that meet the needs of persons in the services.

"Outreach Seminar for Downtown Churches" [illegible] directed by Kenneth M. [illegible] George W. Stuart, consultants in [illegible] field services for the Sunday School department. To be held Oct. 26 - 30 at the Church Program Training Center, the seminar will feature studies in the need for outreach, the scope of outreach ministry, the varying approaches for outreach and accomplishment of outreach actions.

"Church Long - Range Planning" will be held Oct. 26-30 at the Church Program Training Center, under the direction of Joseph W. Hinkle, consultant in general administration. Participants will be led in a study of the philosophy, principles and process of planning. Actual long - range planning will be done in work groups. Participation in this seminar requires a minimum of two persons from each church, the pastor and one other member.

Additional information concerning each seminar is available from the Church Program Training Center. Registration fees of $20 for each person may be sent to the Church Program Training Center, 127 Ninth Avenue, North, Nashville, Tennessee 37203.

Mrs. Dan Davies has joined the Clarke College faculty and will teach in the Music Department. Her husband has enrolled as a student to prepare for service in a church related vocation. Mrs. Davies, the former Alice Wilkinson, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Wilkinson of Morgan City in the Mississippi delta. She is a graduate of Mississippi College and holds the Master of Music degree from North Texas State University, Denton, Texas.

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Convention Board

What perhaps is the most important Baptist meeting of the year in Mississippi, except the state convention itself, will be held next week.

The September meeting of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board will be held in Jackson next Monday afternoon and evening, and will continue on Tuesday if there is need for a third session.

The board of 100 representatives, one from each association, and an additional 26 elected at large, represents every area of the state, and bears the responsibility for major decisions concerning Mississippi Baptist convention work.

On the agenda next week will be the budget for convention board work for 1971 (The Cooperative Program), reports from special committees on the future of the assembly program and Christian education, and other business matters confronting the convention now.

These are days of tremendous problems for Mississippi Baptists, but also of some of the greatest opportunities the churches and convention ever have faced. It is time for dedication, resolution, and advance.

Members of the board are among the most trusted pastors and laymen in our state. They are men who love the Lord, who believe in the Baptist program, and who are dedicated to helping promote that program as it seeks to meet the tremendous needs facing and challenging us now.

Every Baptist in the state should pray earnestly for the convention board as it meets next Monday.

"WITH HIS HELP, WE'LL KEEP HER STRONG"

Trustee Conference

Under the direction of Executive Secretary W. Douglas Hudgins, one of the most profitable meetings of the year was held in Jackson last week when trustees of all of the convention's institutions gathered for a day of discussion of the responsibilities and duties of trustees.

A number of outstanding addresses were presented by state and SBC leaders. Many favorable comments were heard from participants, and the hope has been expressed that the conference can become an annual event.

The day closed with a dinner at First Baptist Church attended by trustees, administrative staffs of the institutions, the Education Commission, the convention board executive committee, and state convention executives, with their wives or husbands. The program included special music by Mrs. Dawn Gandy accompanied by Miss Hazel Chisolm, and an address by Dr. Louie D. Newton of Atlanta, Ga.

The address by Dr. Newton proved to be one of the most inspiring and challenging messages heard by a Jackson Baptist audience in a long time, and Jackson Baptists hear some outstanding messages. Dr. Newton was at his best, and out of his long experience, and his amazing ability of recall, plus his own special brand of humor, he had the audience in his hand from the first moment he began to speak.

Using as his outline the three words, "Mississippi," "Baptist" and "Trustee," Dr. Newton quickly demonstrated that he knew more about Mississippi and Mississippi history than do most Mississippians. Then he turned to Baptist history and the glorious place God has given Baptists in the world. In closing moments he discussed the trusteeship that Baptists and God had placed upon those in the audience, and the responsibility that trusteeship entails.

Dr. Newton is a former college professor, editor of the Christian Index, Georgia Baptist journal, and for many years pastor of one of Georgia's great churches, Druid Hills Church, Atlanta. He has served as president of the Southern Baptist Convention, and on numerous boards and committees of the convention, as well as on the Baptist World Alliance Executive Committee.

He is the author of several books, and writes a page in the Christian Index each week, a page which probably is one of the most popular features in the paper, and which is widely read across the Southern Baptist Convention.

Those who attended last week's meeting long will remember the wisdom, the humor, the revelation of our Baptist heritage, and the challenge presented by this great Baptist leader. We thank God for the message and for the messenger.

Guest Editorial

AStupidReportOnPornography

W. G. Stracener
In Florida Baptist Witness

Many adjectives, all the way from "silly" to "Satanic," could be used for the particular desired emphasis in appraisal of a report of the President's Commission on Obscenity and Pornography which is due to be released in a few days but which was leaked to the press ahead of scheduled release date.

Just imagine the majority of a group of supposedly intelligent adults concluding after months of study that exposure to obscene and pornographic materials does not alter conduct or attitudes relative to sexual morality or crime. But that is exactly what the group is reported to have concluded.

It would make just as much sense to say that exposure to printed and pictured advertising never alters the desires or actions of the readers, or that exposure to television advertising never stimulates the desires or triggers action on the part of its viewers.

It would also be just as sensible to argue that there is no harm in eating decaying food from the garbage dump, or in drinking water from a cesspool.

Since the commission thinks that anti-social acts are unrelated to obscene and pornographic materials, it is only to be expected that it would propose that laws be repealed which restrict the availability of such materials for adults, as it is reported to be doing.

Then with its still unpredictable logic at work, the commission is to recommend that laws protecting the young from obscene materials should be kept.

At just what point on the calendar or in the maturity scale of a youth does the material from which he has thus far needed protecting suddenly become acceptable for his reading and viewing? If there is no relation of obscenity to anti-social and even criminal behavior, if it does not affect one's attitudes or conduct as an adult, at just what point did it cease to be a damaging influence from which he needed guarding by law?

The very recommendation that laws protecting the young from obscene materials be kept, is of itself an admission that those on the commisssion either know or strongly fear that the reading and viewing of pornographic materials does stimulate physical desire, which stimulated desire can and often does trigger anti-social and even criminal attitudes and actions.

To say that "there is no evidence that exposure to sexual stimuli operates as a cause of misconduct in either youth or adults" sounds like the statement of either a very old or a very blind or a very foolish person instead of part of a report of a Presidential Commission.

To conclude that such exposure "has no detrimental impact upon moral character, sexual orientation or attitudes about sexuality among youth" is not only a false conclusion but an utterly Satanic idea to further pollute the spiritual atmosphere in which our youth must often function.

If the press reports the conclusions of this Presidential Commission are accurate, then we must say that the good points, the redeeming features of its report, fall short of overcoming the destructive features.

We are glad to note that President Nixon has washed his hands of any responsibility for the report. Mr. Nixon believes that pornography and obscenity do relate to adverse social behavior, and has already called for a Citizens' Crusade against Pornography. Incidentally, only one member of the commission was appointed by Nixon, the others by his predecessor.

We shall await a full reading of the report, the names of the members of the commission, and the method of their research before making any further appraisal of it. At this point, however, paying for this study and report would appear to be one of the most idiotic wastes of the taxpayers' money within our memory.

NEWEST BOOKS

BIBLE DRAMAS FOR OLDER BOYS AND GIRLS by Sarah Walton Miller (Broadman, paperback, 116 pp.)

These ten Bible dramas for boys and girls ages 8-14 have simple staging and require no scenery. Playing time varies from 10 to 25 minutes. The plays are intended as learning experiences and each includes a series of questions and a guide for discussion.

THE IDEAL OF THE UNIVERSITY by Robert Paul Wolf (Beacon, 161 pp., $5.95). A study of the meaning and purpose of the modern university written by a professor at Columbia University who is irritated by the student rebellions.

NEW IN RELIGION by Kenneth Hamilton (Eerdmans, 176 pp., $3.95). A modern theologian takes a critical look at new theology, new morality, and secular Christianity.

BLACK AND FREE by Tom Skinner (Zondervan, 154 pp., paper, 95c). Paperback edition of the story of how a Harlem gang leader became an outstanding Christian evangelist.

MAN IN GOD'S MILIEU by Bastian Kruithof (Baker, 144 pp., paper, $1.95). An analysis of the relationship between Christian faith and culture. The author slices through the complexity of modern life and bears the issues which confront today's Christian. A study of Christian faith and secularlism.

QUESTIONS ON THE CHRISTIAN FAITH ANSWERED FROM THE BIBLE by Derek Prine (Eerdsman, 128 pp., Paper, $1.45). Uses the question and answer method and Bible references to answer questions concerning Christian faith and belief. Will be a helpful reference book for any serious student.

THE SOUL UNDER SEIGE by James Earl Massey (Warner, 110 pp., paper, $2.00). What is the Christian experience? How can the Christian grow? How can they deal with conflict? The role of Bible study, prayer, and witnessing considered as agents in developisg Christian character.

TOWARD A RECONSTRUCTION OF RELIGION—A PHILOSOPHICAL PROBE by Eugene Fontinell (Doubleday, 261 pp., $5.95). The author says that traditional doctrines and catagories of religion have become increasingly irrevelant to the developing structure of human life and as a result, institutional religion is now in a state of collapse. He proposes reconstruction. The conservative, Bible-believing Christian, will hardly agree with either his conclusions or his suggestions.

POLLUTION AND THE DEATH OF MAN by Francis A. Schaeffer (Tyndale House, paper, 125 pp.) The Christian view of ecology, presented by the director of L'Abri Fellowship in Huemoz, Switzerland, a well-known lecturer.

THE ODYSSEY OF PAUL by George Ogg (Fleming H. Revell, $4.95, 207 pp.) Mr. Ogg starts with the birth of Paul and carries on through his missionary journeys, his differences with his colleagues, his imprisonment, and his death.

CHRIST'S SUBURBAN BODY by Wilfred M. Bailey and William K. McElvaney (Abingdon, 208 pp., $4.95). A study of the church as an institution in modern suburbia. An exciting study of what is happening in suburban life especially as it relates to church congregations. This reviewer can not accept all of the suggestions concerning ecumenism presented by the authors, but the study is stimulating in the light of what is happening in our modern world.

PROMISES TO PETER by Charlie Chedd (Word Books, 147 pp., $3.95) "On Building a Bridge from Parent to Child." Out of several promises made to his son, Peter, on the day of his birth, Charlie Shedd selects three as all-important: the promise of Growing Self-Government; the promise of Lessons in How to Love; and the promise to teach and demonstrate the Dignity of Work.

A SONG AND A PRAYER by Betty Carlson (Baker, paperback, 100 pp., $1.95) Devotional thoughts which reflect the fact that the author lives in the mountains of Switzerland at the world-famous L'Abri Fellowship.

TEAM BUILDING IN CHURCH GROUPS by Nancy Geyer and Shirley Noll (Judson, 32 pp., paper, $1.00). An outlined discussion of the organization of team discussion groups in churches.

THE MEANING OF LONELINESS by Richard Wolff (Key Publishers, Wheaton, Ill., 132 pp., $3.95; The author analyzes possible causes of loneliness, and points to a realistic solution.

ON THE MORAL SCENE

CHRISTIAN LIFE COMMISSION, SBC

The status of women—America's numerical majority at 51% of the population—remains today as relentlessly second class as that of any minority. A third of the American work force is female: 42% of the women 16 and older work. Yet there is only one economic indicator in which women consistently lead men, and that is the number living in poverty. In 1968, the median salary for full-time year-round workers was $7,870 for white males, $5,314 for non white men, $4,580 for white women, and $3,487 for nonwhite women. The median wage for full-time women workers is 58.2% of that for men. Translated into educational levels, women make half of what men do; on the average, a woman needs a college degree to earn more than a man with an eight-grade education. (Time, 8-13-70)

A team of research doctors at the University of Vermont has begun a series of experiments using marijuana extract in place of pain killers and antidepressant drugs to treat cancer patients. The tests have been approved by local legal authorities, as well as the university, the Medical Center Hospital of Vermont, the Food and Drug Administration, and the National Institute of Mental Health. A hospital spokesman said it was hoped the study would provide basic information concerning the metabolism of the drug in cancer patients, and may also result in the discovery of a useful role for the marijuana extract in treating such cases. The project is the only one of its kind in the nation and has been under way slightly more than a month said Dr. Herbert Savel, director of the medical oncology tumor-studying unit of the medical college. (Nashville Banner, 8-26-70).

A Woman's World Reaches Far

Beyond the Ironing Board

'Wilda Fancher

You wouldn't think our little town would have much to offer in the way of sight-seeing attractions, but we do. Next time you're on vacation come to our town (you almost have to come to Aberdeen — you don't go through or by it on the way to many places!) and see our phenomenon.

One and a half miles separate my house from the high school where I go each afternoon to teach one class of Latin II. Most miles in our town are quite common. But the mile and a half between my house and the school are unique. They are uphill all the way out and uphill all the way back. Aberdeen has been full of people for years and years, yet nobody had discovered this freak of street slant until I did. I didn't set out to discover it — I just happened up on the fact.

Most discoverers get famous; all I got for my discovery, so far, is aching leg muscles, sore thigh muscles, stiff hip joints, a blister on my left little toe, and a crick in the left side of my neck. Wonder why my left side has taken all the beating?

I walk that mile and a half out to school and the one back from the school every day. People look at me sort of funny — a few offer me rides, but most of them just nearly run off the road craning their necks to try to see who the crazy woman out walking in 90-degree weather is.

There are some good reasons for my walking. Last summer whenever I sat on the floor to play some silly game with whatever kids might be around or whenever I stretched out of the floor by the stereo to listen to a record or two, or whenever I got down on hands and knees to clean out from under the bed, I could jump up without any trouble at all. But you know what? This summer I had to push myself up by my hands. I was horrified.

Another reason, I have some pounds in unbecoming places—like between my elbow and shoulder, and they flop when I play the piano or write on the board. I feel no fondness for these and other ill-located pounds.

But the real reason is that a small, quite voice has been communicating the message, "You are being a poor steward of your body." I believe God's Sripit speaks to me, and I believe the verse which goes something like this: Don't you know your body is the temple of God?

So, I am in the process of making this temple more habitable, healthier, and longer-lasting. Wouldn't it be sad to stand in His presence and hear Him say, "Well, I really had more work for you to do on earth, but you didn't take good enough care of your body to live long enough to do that work"?

This, for the Christian woman, should make counting calories for her family, enforcing bedtime rules, teaching health and hygiene and a bit of mental health, and insisting on regular physical checkups take on the proportions of divine ministrations.

All us Christians need to stay here and work as hard and long as we can, don't we?

THE BAPTIST FORUM

The Johnsons Write From Mati

Dear Folks,

Our months here in Mati have really flown. It is hard to realize that we have been here seven months. We will move to Davao City as soon as our house there is completed which should be in November or December. Paul will begin teaching in the Mindanao Baptist Bible School there. Meanwhile we are enjoying life in one of God's beauty spots. Mati is located on a bay that is an almost unbelievable blue. Across the peninsula only a short drive away is the Pacific Ocean and beautiful white beaches. We have tall mountains here and almost always there is a cool breeze either from the mountains or the ocean. Food is not a problem either. If you come to visit us don't expect to lose weight as our cook is one of the best in the Philippines.

Paul is working this year as field missionary in the Davao Oriental Association. His work is a good bit like that of an associational superintendent of missions in the states. He works as an advisor to our churches and chapels (there are more than twenty;, supervises the construction of any building in which the mission has invested funds, and teaches in a laymen's institute which he helped to organize. Many of our pastors are laymen and they have asked for more training. We also run a "Baptist Book Store" in our home where we sell Bibles and hymnals and distribute church literature.

David and Ray love Mati so. They have lots of friends and plenty of space in which to play. David will be in third grade and Ray in kindergarten this year in the Calvert course which I teach at home.

The Asia Baptist New Life Crusade was held this year from June 21-July 5. Many pastors from the U.S. came to take part. Among those who came were two whom we were especially glad to see: Dr. David Grant, a long-time friend who is pastor of Broadmoor Church, Jackson, Miss., and Dr. Bob Simmons, Paul's brother-in-law, who is pastor of Fifteenth Avenue Church in Meridian, Miss. Both of these men were assigned to our association so we had plenty of good hard work and, I'm sure, were glad of a rest when they left us.

Incidentally, Bob brought along his wife, Mary, Paul's sister. (He knew we probably wouldn't have let him in without her!) We kept Mary busy also as she played the pump organ for crusade services in three chapels, sang, and helped in many other ways. When the reports from all chapels were in, there were 456 professions of faith in our association. Some of these were merely expressing interest but many of them were genuine conversions and will become members of our churches after doctrine classes and baptism.

Mail service here seems ever so slow but even when your letters are a long time reaching us, they brighten our day when we receive them. May God bless each of you.

Paul, Vera, David, & Ray Johnson

Gratitude For Mississippi Churches, Montana Work

Pioneer Missions Committee
Mississippi Baptist Convention Board
Jackson, Mississippi
Gentlemen:

I want to take this opportunity now, before I get back in the busy school-life, to thank you for the work you do in pioneer missions. My summer in Montana under the Pioneer Missions Committee was the most meaningful summer I have ever spent. It was also a time when I grew more spiritually than in any other equal time period in my life. I hope to go back to Montana again sometime and continue my work there.

I guess it takes getting out of our Bible Belt to not only realize how it is outside of it, but also to really understand how it is inside of it. I never had realized how very much we do have to be thankful for with our big churches, etc., and I also never knew how much we seem to take it all for granted. I for one will be much more appreciative for the blessings we have had in our church work down here.

I can't say enough nice things about all of those Montana pastors out there! They are the most dedicated and lovable bunch of men I have ever been around. After a week at Family Camp with all of them, I can easily see why the church members in Montana are such dedicated people, too. It really gives me something to aim for, just as a church member.

Thank you again for such a program available to college students. My prayers are with pioneer missions forever!

— Diane Defore
Box 5107
University, Miss.

Southwestern Seminary Names Doty Comptroller

FORT WORTH (BP)—Robert R. Doty, business administrator for Columbus Avenue Baptist Church in Waco, Tex., has been named comptroller at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary here.

Doty will be responsible for keeping the fiscal records for the seminary, according to business manager Wayne Evans.

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More Book Reviews

Last week's issue of the Baptist Record featured book reviews. Because of lack of space we did not publish all the reviews which we had ready. They are being included in this issue.

'TWEEN-AGE AMBASSADORS by Frances Tunnell Carter (Convention Press, 93 pp., paper,)

The book for older children in the 1970 Foreign Mission Graded Series. Tells the story of Baptist mission work among the Chinese in Hong Kong, Taiwan, Malaysia, Thailand and other Southeast Pacific countries. This book builds its report about the stories of boys and girls who are a part of this great missionary thrust.

A NEW SONG FOR HENG WAH by Sue McDonald (Convention Press, 32 pp., paper).

The book for younger children in the 1970 Foreign Mission Graded Series. The story of how Baptist mission work among the Chinese reached a boy and his family in Singapore.

HONG KONG DIGEST by George Wilson, Jr. (Convention Press, 88 pp., paper).

The youth book in the 1970 Foreign Mission Graded Series. The story of Baptist mission work among the Chinese in Hong Kong.

CHURCH AND COMMUNITY SURVEY WORKBOOK edited by James V. Cartwright, Jr. (Convention Press, 128 large pages). A workbook for use in making a church and community survey. Includes all the tables, instructions, etc. for a complete survey of any community.

CHURCH MUSIC FOR CHILDREN by Richard Ham (Convention Press, New Church Study Course, paperback, $1, 113 pp.).

New procedures and methods for a church music program for children.

CHURCH MUSIC FOR ADULTS by Festus G. Robertson, Jr. (Convention Press, New Church Study Course, paperback, $1, 101 pp.).

A new guide for planning the church music program for adults.

GOOD NEWS FOR MODERN MAN, The New Testament in Today's English Version (Broadman Press, paperback, 600 pp.).

New Church Member Edition, with a presentation page and special helps for new church members.

SUCCESSFUL ENLISTMENT (Convention Press, paperback, 32 pp.).
Helpful, illustrated instructions for associate directors, the enlistment leaders in Adult Church Training.

BABBLE ON . . . AND OTHER RUINS by Ed Seabough (Broadman, paperback, 94 pp. $1.95).

Poetry and Scripture paraphrases by the student representative of the Home Mission Board. The issues are varied — but the message is one: We must "up and get us gone" into the world to serve in Christ's name. ("Required reading for students," says Bill Pinson.)

FOR ALL THE CRYING CHILDREN by Lloyd Armour (Broadman, 143 pp., $3.95). What can the average Christian do for the needy children of the world, those in the ghetto areas and similar places? The author is vice-president and associate editor of the Nashville Tennesseean. He tells how people can become concerned about those in need about them and how they can do something about it. Here is a call to action with practical suggestions that can bring blessing to tens of thousands of lonely lives.

ANCHORS FOR LIFE'S STORMS by Orvil W. Reid (Published in Mexico, Apartado 1436, Guadalajara, Jalisco, paperback, 152 pp.) Mr. Reid, for many years a missionary to Mexico, is well-known for his "sermons in poetry." Here are 221 messages in verse that open new horizons to the meaning of God, men, life, and death. (All income from the sale of this book, above actual publishing costs, is being given to help students in Mexico. Any amount may be given).

KNOW YOUR ENEMY is a booklet Mr. Reid has written concerning the evils of alcohol. Copies of it sell for 30c each. **A BOOK OF CORNY VERSE** (25c each) is a third book of Mr. Reid's, written from his own original, individual, highly developed store of humor. Books may be ordered from him at the above address.

HOLY WAR by Ethel Barrett (Gospel Light Publications, 234 pp., paperback, $1.95) Witty retellig, in today's language, of John Bunyan's classic allegory, **The Holy War.**

RIOTS IN THE STREETS by Richard Wolfe Tyndale House, 156 pp., paper). A study of the causes of riots in the streets of our nation. The relation to the scriptures and the ultimate solution with the responsibility of the Christians is clearly revealed.

THE BOOK OF JOEL by Marioano di Gangi (Baker, paperback, 78 pp., $1.95).

A study manual on Joel, by the pastor of Philadelphia's Tenth Presbyterian Church.

SERMONS FOR CHILDREN by Douglas Laird (Baker, paperback, $1, 74pp. $1)

Brief sermons, simple enough for children to understand.

50 NEW SERMON OUTLINES compiled by W. H. Compton (Baker, paperback, 75pp. $1).
Outlines for fifty sermons that have been effectively preached by various ministers.

1800 QUOTABLE QUIPS by E. C. McKenzie (Baker, paperback, $1.25, 80 pp.)
Amusing, informative, one-sentence quips that are exactly what a speaker often looks for when he is to give a talk for a business or social occasion.

SERMON IDEAS AND OUTLINES by Hyman Appelman (Baker, paperback, 59 pp., $1).
Sermon ideas and outlines compiled by a well-known evangelist.

ROARING LION by Robert Peterson (Christian Literature Crusade, paperback, 136 pp., $1).
Mr. Peterson is a missionary in Borneo (or Kalimantan) who has seen the Lord at work in the lives of many Chinese settlers there.

IT'S A WOMAN'S PRIVILEGE by Eveyn McCullough Anderson (Baker, 188 pp., $3.95). Basing her outline upon the woman's privilege of "changing her mind" the author talks about changing the mind about principles, problems, and planning. These messages will be most helpful to women who are seeking to best use their lives as committed to Christ.

PRAYERS FOR PARENTS WHO CARE by John Lewis Sandlin (Revell, 128 pp., $2.95). One hundred twenty-seven written prayers. They are classified as prayers for strengthening personal life, prayers for parents in group relationships, prayers of thanksgiving, and prayers for direction and guidance. This should be helpful in teaching individuals how to pray about the various concerns of daily living.

SERMON OUTLINES FOR FUNERAL SERVICES compiled by Charles R. Wood (Kregel, paperback, $1.50, 64 pp.).
Easy-to-use sermon outlines, pertaining to death and funerals.

THE CHICKENBONE SPECIAL by Dwayne Walls (Southern Regional Council, 5 Forsyth St., N. W., Atlanta, Ga., 30 cents, paperback, 44 pp.)
Concerning America's rural - to-urban migration, this is the story of one human being who traveled from the tobacco fields of South Carolina to the ghettos of New York.

AS FAR AS I CAN STEP by Virginia Law (Word, 157 pp. $3.95). The moving story of a woman who lost her husband and sought God's direction in rebuilding her life. The Laws were missionaries in the Congo when her husband was killed by a rebel soldier. How God led her and how she grew in her faith is a testimony that will bless every person who reads.

SPIRIT IN CONFLICT by William Walter Warnath (Word, 112 pp. $2.95). Discusses seven problems of the spirit in conflict and presents a solution to them. A study is made of pride, envy, anger, sloth, greed, gluttony, and lust. God's autograph of love as found in the thirteenth chapter of I Corinthians is presented in a special translation as the final chapter.

THE CHURCH RESPONDS by Joan Thatcher (Judson, 160 pp., paper, $2.95). The story of a number of churches which have responded to the problems of the communities and people around them. A call is made for all churches to come to change and renewal.

THE FREEDOM SEDER: A NEW HAGGADAH FOR PASSOVER by Arthur I. Waskow (Holt, Rinehart, and Winston, $3.95 cloth, $1.50 paper, 56 pp.).
Traditionally, Jews have celebrated the exodus from Egypt at Passover with a ceremonial dinner called a seder. The seder service is contained in a book called an Haggadah. Now, extending the ancient feast of liberation to include all people of every color and creed who are struggling for freedom, Arthur I. Waskow introduces in this book an updated, radicalized version of the traditional seder text.

WORDS OF WISDOM paraphrased **by Kenneth N. Taylor and compiled by George M. Wilson (Tyndale House, paperback).**
Paraphrases of **Living Psalms and Proverbs**, paragraphed for the convenience of the reader using them for inspiration in his daily devotions. Forward by Billy Graham.

GOD IN MY FAMILY by Dorothy C. Haskin (Warner Press, 95 pp., $2.50).
Thirty devotional services ideally suited for the family; subjects deal with Christian heritage, honesty and fair play, mission themes, the needs for parents to be Christian examples for their children.

THE TURNING POINT by Vincent Guerra, with Foreward by Art Linkletter (Warner Press, paperback, 144 pp., $2.50).
Now on the staff of The Turning Point ministry in Miami, Fla., the author works with youth in schools, drug users in the streets, prison inmates. His work is both preventive and rehabilitative.

PERSONAL GOSPEL. . .JOHN Vol 4, chs. 9:28-13:14 rephrased by C. S. Lovett (Personal Christianity, Box 157, (Baldwin Park, Calif.).
Rephrasing of portions of John's Gospel, with comments accompanying each verse.

CARMEN by John Benton (Fleming H. Revell Co., 191 pp., $4.50). Based on the author's professional experience with delinquent girls, this is a novel about a young girl and her steady descent into the inferno of drug addiction, prostitution, horror and crime. Only through Teen Challenge was she finally rehabilitated.

SOURCE BOOK OF POETRY FOR MINISTERS, SPEAKERS AND WRITERS by Cornelius Zylstra (Baker, paperback, 114 pp., $1.50).
Many speakers like to illuminate their sermons, talks, and addresses with pertinent poetry. The carefully selected poems in this book will help give the user the right poem for the right occasion.

HOPE FOR MAN by Joshua Loth Liebman (Simon and Schuster, 250 pp. $4.95) A prominent Jewish scholar and writer discusses man's hope as seen through Jewish eyes.

INSPIRING TALKS FOR ALL OCCASIONS by Marion G. Gosselink (Baker, paperback, 144 pp., $1.95).
Forty devotionals for young people in the Sunday school, weekday Bible class, Vacation Bible School, etc. Themes include the special days of the church and civil calendars.

LIKE IT IS! by Mort Crim, with introduction by Norman Vincent Peale (Warner Press, paperback, 124 pp., $2.50).
Mr. Crim, news correspondent for the American Broadcasting Co., speaks of the "needs facing the church from a background of relevant social issues" in which he has a deep concern as a Christian layman.

COUCH AND THE ALTAR by David Redding (Lippincott, 124 pp., $3.95) "How faith and psychology can be merged into a single path to self knowledge and God's loving forgiveness."

WHITE PROTESTANTISM AND THE NEGRO by David M. Reimers (Oxford, 235 pp., $5.00) What white Protestant Churches have done about the race problem.

ALL BELIEVERS ARE BROTHERS Edited by Roland Gammon Doubleday, 344 pp., $5.95) The author presents essays by many persons with the concept that all believers of any faith are brothers, no matter what their religion. (This concept will not stand up in the light of the Bible's revelation that salvation is in Christ alone.)

EVOLUTION AND THE CHRISTIAN HOPE by Ernst Benz (Doubleday, 270 pp., $4.95) A study of the history of man's concept of the future in the light of scientific advance and theory.

SEARCH THE SCRIPTURES — Modern Medicine and Biblical Personages by Robert B. Greenblatt (Lippincott, 163 pp., $4.50)

GOD'S DOING, MAN'S UNDOING edited by Ralph H. Elliot (Judson, 157 pp., $4.95)

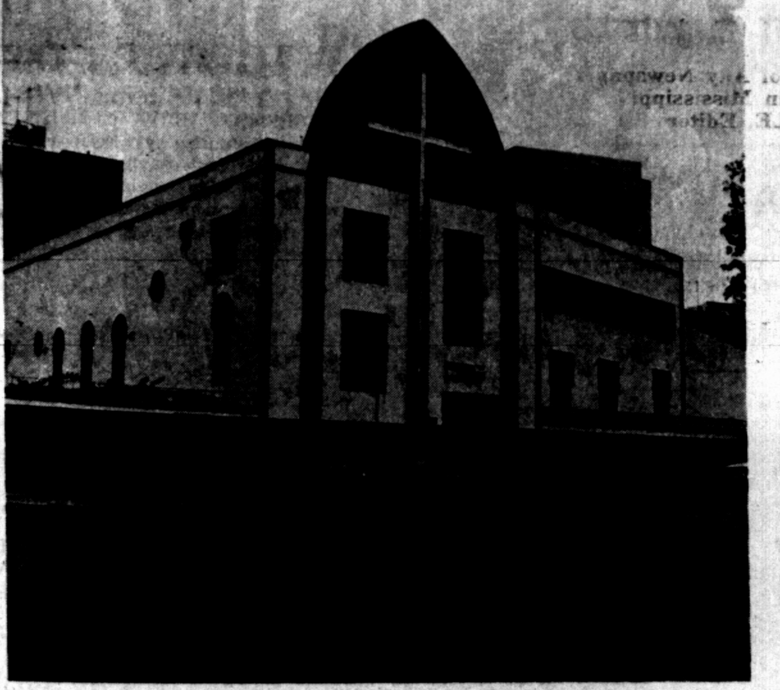
HOOKS IN THEIR JAWS by William D. Hurst (Exposition, 95 pp., $4.50)

THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO ST. JOHN by Dagobert D. Runes (Philosophical, Society, 95 pp. $2.75) (The flyleaf says, "Edited in conformity with the true ecumenical spirit of Pope John XXIII)

LINKS BETWEEN JUDAISM AND CHRISTIANITY by Samuel Uman (Philosophical Library, 153 pp. $4.75 A study of the relationship between Christianity and Judaism.

RADICAL THEOLOGY: PHASE TWO — Essays on the Current Debate — Edited by C. W. Christian and Glenn R. Wittig. (Lippincott, 218 pp., $4.95) A theological discussion of God Is Dead and other liberal theological concepts.

COMMITMENTS AND CONSEQUENCES by Page Bailey (Lippincott, 302 pp., $5.95) A philosopher discusses the meaning of Christian commitment in today's world of unbelief.



Most Visible Baptist Church in Spain

With its 15-meter (50-foot) high cross lighted on church service nights, the 80-member Baptist church in Malaga, Spain, can claim to be the most visible Baptist church in the country. The 200-year-old structure was remodeled inside and out largely through a gift of W. Maxey Jarman, Baptist business executive living in Nashville, Tennessee, USA. It faces a wide river bed running fairly straight through the middle of Malaga, a southern seaside year-round resort of 325,000 people. This open space makes the lighted cross visible for great distances to the right and left. Many curious Malaganers drop in just to look around, and pastor Luis Hombre tries to greet and talk with them all. Although few become regular worshippers, it creates public good will for Malaga's largest Protestant congregation. The church reports 100 attend Sunday School, 82 tithe (two more than members!), and there are no inactive people on its roll. A large number who come are young people. The church, once almost dead, started afresh three years ago with only two members. (European Baptist Press Service Photo by Theo Sommerkamp)

POEMS WITH A PURPOSE by R. G. Turner (Delderfield Press, Chapel Hill, Exmouth, Devon, England, paperback, 104 pp.)

This interesting and well - written book of poetry is by an Englishman, published in England. Its varied topics include religious and scriptural subjects, local poems concerning the English landscape, and national and international pieces.

ENCOUNTER IN THE NON-CHRISTIAN ERA by John W. Sanderson, Jr. (Zondervan, paperback, 95 pp., $1.45).

Dr. Sanderson maintains, "The '70's will be a period of increasing conflict between Christians and non-Christians." He says it will call for great wisdom on the part of Christians, to form a strategy to react wisely to opposition, and to turn antagonism to advantage.

FOCUS ON FAMILY LIFE by Gladys M. Hunt (Baker, 79 pp., paper, $1.25). A book on family life designed for adult discussion groups. Includes material for eight conferences of one hour or more.

MIRACLES OF THE MASTER by Louis O. Caldwell (Baker, 122 pp., paper, $1.25) Discussion group material for teen-agers. Provides Bible study and Christian answers for contemporary problems.

THANK GOD FOR THE RED, WHITE AND BLACK by Jeanette Streuben (Lippincott, 57 pp., $1.95). A book of brief prayers in modern poetic form. Presents a very unusual approach to many, modern, everyday problems.

TIMELESS ISSUES by Daniel W. Wynn (Philosophical Library, 144 pp., $3.95). Lectures delivered by the chaplain at Tuskegee Institute. Deals with racial issues of our day.

PSALMS OF A BLACK MOTHER by Theresa Greenwood (Warner, 96 pp., paper, $2.50). Psalm-like poetry which reflects the black mother's relationship to God.

ADAMENT AND STONE CHIPS by Virginia Mollentott (Word, 113 pp., $3.50). The subtitle is "A Christian Humanist Approach to Knowledge." An attempt to narrow the gap between evangelicals and others in the belief that twentieth century Christians are intended to imitate Christ who became flesh and dwelt among men. The author who is a professor of English in a New Jersey college makes a special study of literature with its message for modern Christians.

HOPE FOR A BROKEN WORLD edited by Kay Lathrop Schuster (Christopher, 156 pp., $4.95). A collection of statements of faith by a large number of widely known persons of this generation. Many of them are liberal theologians but others are included as well.

A SYMPOSIUM ON CREATION by Donald W. Patten and others (Baker, paperback, 151 pp., $1.95).
A strong defense of the Scriptural account of creation.

PRAYER MEETING OUTLINES by Croft M. Pentz (Baker, paperback, 80 pp., $1).
Outlines particularly suitable for prayer meeting night.

1001 SENTENCE SERMONS by Croft M. Pentz (Baker, paperback, $1, 61 pp.).

Nuggets of wisdom that will be nice for use on church bulletin boards, or in church newspapers or bulletins.

MORE SERMON OUTLINES AND BIBLE READINGS by F. E. Marsh (Baker, paperback, $1, 80 pages).
Ideas and outlines for 114 sermons, with Scripture references for each point in every outline.

GOSPEL SERMON OUTLINES by George Brooks (Baker, paperback, $1, 71 pp.).
Very brief outlines for 208 sermon ideas.

DEVOTIONAL PROGRAMS FOR PRIMARY CHILDREN WITH ORIGINAL SONGS by Lola M. Autry (Baker, 111 pp., $1.95). Lola Autry is the wife of Rev. Eward A. Autry, pastor of the Cedar Grove Baptist Church of Hickory Flat, Mississippi. She already is widely known for her writings. This book brings a year's programs for primary use.

THE PROMISE OF VONHOEFFER by Benjamen A. Reist (Lippincot, 128 pp., $3.50) Another volume in the series on the promise of theology. This is a study of the theological impact of a German theologian who was executed by the Nazis in 1945 because of his opposition to Hitlerism.

THE USHER'S MANUAL by Leslie Parrott (Zondervan, 64 pp., paper). From the viewpoint of a veteran pastor and communicator, the author describes the functions of the usher and provides guidelines for his work.

THE UNHURRIED CHASE by Betty Carlson (Tyndale House, 158 pp., $3.95) This is a warmhearted, often hilariously funny account of an individualistic, fun - loving American woman seeking the real answers to live. Betty Carlson, well-known author now closely associated with L'Abri Fellowship in Switzerland, tells her own story, revealing a deep personal commitment to Christ.

BETWEEN EARTH AND HEAVEN, Shakespeare, Dostoevsky, and the Meaning of Christian Tragedy, by Roger L. Cox (Holt, Rhinehart, and Winston, 252 pp., $5.95) This book is a detailed and convincing attack on those critics who have long insisted that there can be no such thing as Christian tragedy. Professor Cox of DePauw University in Indiana throws fresh light on the major works of both Shakespeare and Dostoevsky, and shows that both writers derived many of the symbols and motifs that serve as vehicles for their principal insights from a single major source, the Bible. Cox's argument is that the work of Shakespeare and Dostoevsky represents two fundamentally different kinds of Christian tragedy: the former's pattern being related to the Epistles of Paul, and the latter's to the prophetic work of John. The book will prove illuminating even to those who may disagree with its conclusions.

THE POWER TO BLESS by Myron C. Madden (Abingdon, 159 pp., $3.50).

With an informal style and a deep understanding of the art of pastoral care, the author projects his belief that the "work of bringing men to healing and wholeness can be greatly helped by the good word of God's acceptance coming from a trusted man of faith."

WHERE TO GO WITH YOUR TROUBLES by W. F. P. Burton (Gospel Publishing House, 1445 Boonville Ave., Springfield, Mo. 65802, $1, paperback, 80 pp.).

An American edition of a book written by a British Assemblies of God missionary pioneer who went to the Congo in 1914. The chapters draw on the writer's personal experiences in dealing with prayer, faith, and Christian commitment.

FACING TODAY'S DEMANDS by Joseph D. Ban (Judson Press, paperback, 126 pp., $2.50).
The author puts such current topics as "happenings," the generation gap, the tension between pietism and social action, into the perspective of the teaching of the Bible.

THEY ESCAPED FROM HELL by Frank Jennings (Christian Literature Crusade, paperback, 160 pp., $1.95).
For over forty years Rev. Frank Jennings has exercised a wonderful ministry among tramps and human derelicts. Throughout the world he is known as "The Tramps' Parson." Here in this book he tells the remarkable stories of those he was able to help to experience the dynamic power of the Living Saviour while on his mission to Australia and the Far East.

TWELVE BASKETS FULL, Vol. III by Watchman Nee (Church Book Room, Hong Kong, also Christian Literature Crusade, paperback, 106 pp.).
These messages are unrelated fragments of a rich spoken ministry of a Chinese Christian. As the title suggests, the messages are reminiscent of the fragments collected after Jesus had fed the multitude.

BE YOUR WHOLE SELF by Maxie D. Dunnam (Fleming H. Revell, $4.50, 192 pp.).
Here is a message, contemporary and practical, a challenge to responsible living, to self - integrity, to "stop running, fighting and whimpering, and accept the responsibility for yourself; to respond to the persistent claim of God on your life and feel the shape of wholeness take form; to experience the deep joy and sense of celebration in becoming whole."

THE SECRET SIGN by Ethel Barrett (Gospel Light Publications, paperback, 69 cents).
A dynamic book by a dynamic writer — stories of early Christians who used "the secret sign" of the fish, and what their Secret Sign means to the Christian today.

[illegible] THE EARTH by Helen [illegible] (Christian Literature Crusade, paperback, [illegible] pp., 95c).
Norman Blaker and his wife Janet arrive in Canada from England as winter sets in and snow lies thick on the houses and streets. The former schoolmaster was a respected member of the community back home but now finds himself looking for work, any work, without success. Why did Norman decide to leave his home, his work, and the church organ which he played so well? As the story unfolds Norman earns the title of hero. The story bristles with real problems and the solutions to them.

ONCE CAUGHT, NO ESCAPE by Norman Grubb (Christian Literature Crusade, paperback, 216 pp., $2.95).
This is the life story of the author, who has spent most of his life with Worldwide Evangelization Crusade and Christian Literature Crusade. "At Cambridge and at Keswick, in Africa and India, in his marriage to C. T. Studd's daughter, and in his gifted ministry of writing, Norman Grubb displays the qualities of a good soldier of Christ."

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This documentary novel resurrects one of the most significant, yet obscure, figures from the past—Pontius Pilate, the Roman governor of Judea, whose judgment on Good Friday forever changed history. Of the novel, a reviewer in **Christian Herald** said, "A tremendous story. . .of Cineramic splendor. In drama, romance, color, scope, and depth, this novel is comparable only to the modern classics: **Ben Hur, The Silver Chalice, The Robe.**" The author is professor of history at Western Michigan University.

Top photo above shows Hamilton Baptist Church which was constituted Aug. 16. Center picture shows building in which Hamilton Baptist Mission was started in 1969. Photo just above shows several participants at constituting service Aug. 16. From left, Larry Whitaker, treasurer; Dean Minga, Sunday School superintendent; L. C. Sanders, Training Union director; Rev. James Fancher, pastor, First Baptist Church, Aberdeen; Raymond Cooper, Brotherhood president; Rev. Joseph W. Oliver, superintendent of missions.

Hamilton Mission Becomes Church

Hamilton Baptist Mission was constituted into Hamilton Baptist Church, August 16. It is located on Highway 45 between Hamilton and Lackey.

The constituting ceremony was under the direction of Rev. Joseph W. Oliver, who has served as pastor since its organization in June of 1969. The sermon was preached by Rev. James Fancher, pastor of First Baptist Church, Aberdeen, the sponsoring church.

Hamilton Baptist Mission was organized June 8, 1969, with 53 present. It met in the old house belonging to Mr. Dorlos Robinson and Mr. Faye Nevins on Highway 45 in the Lackey community until the completion of their attractive new building was completed June 14, 1970.

Today, shortly over a year later, the church membership totals 103, twenty-six of these by baptism. Total offerings for the first thirteen months were $20,191.33. Gifts to world missions through the Cooperative Program was $1,439.29, and gifts to associational missions totaled $719.63.

Special recognition was given to those outside the membership who contributed in some way or another to the work.

The missionary's service as pastor will terminate as soon as the church calls a full time pastor.

Billy Graham Suggests 'Very Tough' Policy On Hijackers

(Continued from page 1)

with you but they'll come to hear you," he said.

"The most miserable people I meet today are in the affluent suburbs," he continued, describing "ghettos of loneliness" in suburbia and the "emptiness on the part of students today."

The need of the church today, he said, "is to get back to good old Bible preaching." Youngsters enmeshed in astrology and horoscopes should read the prophecies of the Bible — "There is the book that outlines the future."

He said that the editors of The New York Times have invited him to contribute to its forthcoming new editorial page expansion to a second page. They picked, he said, the title of his article — "Why I Believe Jesus Christ Is Coming Back to Earth Again."

At the news conference he discussed ever - present dangers to his life.

"I get about three to five threats on my life each week, mostly in the mail and I suppose mostly from crackpots and cranks, but they're the ones you have to look out for. I am not afraid for myself. If the Lord wants me, He can deflect a bullet or stop the knife."

He said that some criticism comes from what the media calls his "alignment with President Nixon."

"Actually," Mr. Graham said, "I am a Democrat and I visited the White House (more often) under President Johnson than under Nixon."

After the meeting a woman who said she was a Catholic gave Mr. Graham a shawl she had knitted for his wife Ruth. "I don't remember having an argument about anything with her in 15 years," the evangelist said of his wife.

The Rev. Clarence D. Agard, chairman of the Cleveland Crusade Committee, introduced Mr. Graham with: "We believe that the hand of God is on this man's life."

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Ruschlikon Seminary Registers 53

The student register for the 1970 fall semester at the international Baptist seminary in Ruschlikon, Switzerland, includes 53 students from 19 countries. Only seven students are unmarried.

FMB Votes Benefits To Widows; To Host Freshmen

RICHMOND (BP)—Addressing itself to "strengthening missionary families," the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board here voted to start paying monthly benefits to missionary widows, widowers and children, effective Jan. 1, 1971.

The board also appropriated funds for a retreat here in November for missionaries' children who are college freshmen in the United States, elected a field representative for the north field of Spanish South America and heard a report on the status of its personnel in Jordan.

Approximately $46,800 annually was appropriated for benefits to missionary widows, widowers and children "including those who are currently widowed and or orphaned," to be incorporated in the existing missionary pension plan.

"This recommendation for the strengthening of our missionary families has been needed for a long time," said Baker J. Cauthen, executive secretary of the board. Similar provisions for widows of pastors and other denominational workers through the Annuity Board of the Southern Baptist Convention encouraged the Foreign Mission Board to bolster its pension plan, Cauthen said.

Under the new provisions, a widow not continuing in missionary service will receive $87.20 per month and each dependent child (maximum of four) will receive $32.70 per month to age 18. The same amount will be paid to children over 18 who are "unable to perform remunerative work."

Widows who remain in missionary service will be paid in single missionary's salary plus regular child allowance supplements, and each of her children (maximum of four) will receive $32.70 per month on the pension plan.

Widowers, if they remain in service, will receive the same provisions as for a widow's children but no provisions if they resign. Provisions for both men and women are discontinued at remarriage.

Regarding the board's $20,000 appropriation for a retreat for MKs (missionary kids) who are college freshmen, Cauthen said, "We are becoming increasingly aware of the importance of ministering to the children of missionary families as they come to this country for college and university work.

"The concerns among young people in our country today point up the necessity of doing all that we can to help missionary children make the adjustment from homes on mission fields to their new circumstances in college," he continued.

The students who will attend the retreat in November, are recipients of financial aid under the Margaret Fund, a memorial scholarship fund of the SBC Woman's Missionary Union for children of missionaries of the Southern Baptist Home and Foreign Mission Boards.

Cauthen also noted that the proposed 1971 budget, to be presented during the October meeting, will include adjustments in emergency compensation for missionaries on the field.

"Adjustments are necessary because of inflation in America and throughout the world," Cauthen said, "as well as the normal increasing cost of operation." Depending on the country in which missionaries live, adjustments for adults will range from $350 to $1,800, with smaller amounts allotted to children.

J. Bryan Brasington, missionary stationed in Lima, Peru, was elected field representative for the North field of Spanish South America, effective Sept. 10. His assigned area includes Peru, Colombia, Ecuador and Venezuela.

Brasington, a native of Heath Springs, S. C., is one of two missionaries who will succeed the late Hoke Smith Jr., as field representative. The other is yet to be named.

Field representatives function in a liaison capacity between missions (organizations of missionaries) and the board's administrative secretary for a geographic area. Brasington will relate directly to Frank Means, the board's secretary for South America.

John D. Hughey, secretary for Europe and the Middle East, told the board that missionary Paul Smith had telephoned from Beirut, Lebanon three hours earlier to report that the situation in Jordan was "rather grim."

The Smith family traveled from Beirut to Ajloun, Jordan, two days earlier but soon returned to Beirut. Baptists operate a hospital, nursing school and primary and secondary schools in Ajloun, just north of Amman.

Smith, who has carried on an evangelistic ministry in Amman, said he will commute to that capital city as conditions permit. Amman has been the scene recently of skirmishes between Jordanian army troops and Palestinian guerrillas.

Dr. Dean T. Fitzgerald Jr., took his family to Beirut, but he remains at the hospital in Ajloun. Dr. John A. Roper Jr., also plans to stay at the hospital, but his family was to leave for Beirut late in the week.

Miss Violet Popp will continue her duties at the hospital "until they throw her out," Smith said, and Miss Maurine Perryman will keep the Baptist girls' school in Ajloun open.

Miss Jeannine Grishman, missionary journeyman, will be encouraged to leave Ajloun for Beirut, Hughey said. He added that he had asked Smith to tell the missionaries "that they should not hesitate to leave Jordan if this seems advisable."

Ajloun has been calm, but there has been fighting in Irbid, Jerash, Amman and elsewhere, Hughey reported.

Son of Home Mission Leader Dies at 32

NEWNAN, Ga. (BP) — Attorney Arthur Burt Rutledge, 32, son of a Southern Baptist mission executive, died Sept. 12 as the result of a liver ailment incurred when he was 15.

Rutledge, the son of Arthur B. Rutledge of the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board in Atlanta, had chronic hepatitus when he was a teenager in Marshall, Tex., and had lived with the possibility of the collapse of his liver ever since.

However, he graduated from Yale University in New Haven, Conn., and then secured a law degree from the University of Texas in Austin before practicing law at Newman, the home of his wife, the former June Connally.

In addition to his widow, Rutledge is survived by sons, Arthur Bradley, Alan Connally, and Richard Sharber; a sister, Mrs. Clifford M. Ables of Sebring, Fla.; a brother, David W. of LaGrange, Georgia, and parents, Dr. and Mrs. Rutledge of Atlanta.

Hoppers Study Slavic Languages

Mr. and Mrs. John D. Hopper, Southern Baptist Convention missionaries assigned to the Baptist Center in Ruschlikon, Switzerland, will soon begin intensive study of the Slavic languages.

Their study will take place in Yugoslavia. First they will study Serbo-Croatian, the principal language of Yugoslavia, and then work on other Slavic languages.

Slavic languages are spoken in Yugoslavia, Czechoslovakia, Bulgaria, Poland, and Russia. — (EBPS).

New educational building of Fellowship Church, Lauderdale County, which was dedicated Aug. 2.

Fellowship Lauderdale, Dedicates Building

The first Sunday in August was a special day in the life of Fellowship Baptist Church, historic Lauderdale County church. A new educational building was dedicated at 2:00 P.M. following dinner on the grounds.

Dr. W. L. Compere, President of Clarke College at Newton, delivered the dedication sermon.

Fellowship Baptist Church was organized officially in June of 1838. An initial meeting of persons interested in forming a church was held in April of that year. The first meeting place was a log structure. The second building which replaced the log church was a box-like structure utilizing an up and down plank exterior. This building was used until 1906 at which time a larger meeting place was erected. It served the congregation until 1949 when it was replaced by a new building with some Sunday School rooms. This building was dedicated in April, 1950.

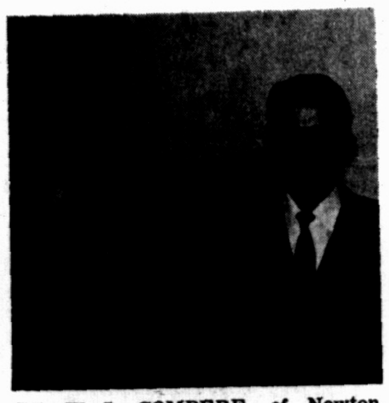
in September, 1958 Fellowship Church voted to become a full time church. A pastor's home was erected in 1959.

The year 1961 saw the completion of a new auditorium with a seating capacity of over 200. The old structure was divided into Sunday School rooms. Indebtedness on the auditorium was dissolved in April, 1968 marked by a note burning ceremony.

On Easter Sunday, 1970 the congregation voted to build a new educational building consisting of classrooms, pastor's study, kitchen, fellowship hall, nursery, rest rooms and a covered driveway. The plans for this building were supplied by the Architectural Department of the Sunday School Board with the assistance of Dennis Conniff Jr. of Jackson.

Pastors Of Church

The following pastors have served Fellowship Baptist Church since its founding in 1838 according to available records: James Alwood, William Allen, G. W. McDonald, Eli McDonald, Allen Moore, E. Pace, N. L. Clark, G. Gay, A. Winstead, A. Gressett, T. M. McAllister, W. L. Phillips, E. L. Stephens, Robt. Duncan, J. L. Banks, J. T. Graham, J. H. Williams, W. H. Rainer, F. A. Freeman, J. D. Cook, W. T. Carrol, B. S. Gay, S. E. McAdory, H. B. Harrison, T. L. Harbour, B. S. Vaughn, Ed Grayson, J. T. Phillips, T. B. McPheeters, Charlie Snowden, Houston Fitzgerald, Roland Barber, Harold Harris, and Richard Sowards.



DR. W. L. COMPERE, of Newton, president of Clarke College, speaker, (at left) is seen with the pastor, Rev. Jerry F. Zgarba.

In August, 1967 Jerry F. Zgarba was called as pastor and serves presently. During this time a new glass entrance has been installed on the auditorium, the indebtedness paid off on the auditorium, the church voted to purchase five acres of adjoining woodland, and a new educational building was constructed. In the past three years there have been twenty-five additions by baptism and twenty-nine by letter. Gifts to the church have increased by twenty percent.

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October 5	Biloxi, First	7:00- 9:00 P.M.
October 6	Meridian, 15th Avenue	7:00- 9:00 P.M.
October 7	Hattiesburg, Temple	10:00-12:00 A.M.
October 8	Greenwood, First	7:00- 9:00 P.M.
October 9	Tupelo, Calvary	10:00-12:00 A.M.

—Provision for Preschool Children—

Mrs. Thurman Hitchcock will lead the conference for workers who teach 6 and 7 year olds or first and second graders. Mrs. Hitchcock has been on the staff of the Baptist General Convention of Oklahoma serving as Director of Preschool and Children's work. Since June, Mrs. Hitchcock has been living in Altus, Oklahoma.

Miss Neta Stewart will direct the leadership conference for workers with 10 and 11 year olds or fifth and sixth graders. Miss Stewart served in the Mississippi Training Union Department before going to the Sunday School Department in Nashville to be a Junior Consultant. Miss Stewart is now Dean of Women and Director of Student Activities, Southwestern Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas.

Mrs. Ray Summers will lead the conference for workers in the 8 and 9 year old age group or third and fourth grades. Mrs. Summers is a member of Waco, First in Texas and is the Director of the Children's Division in her church. Mrs. Summers has written extensively for Southern Baptist and is in great demand as a conference leader.

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

THE INTERNATIONAL LESSON

A Great Love

By Clifton J. Allen

Genesis 37-38; 44; John 15:12-14

The last chapters of Genesis, 37-50, focus largely on Joseph, though the story of Joseph is set in the context of the history of the family of Jacob. We should keep in mind the unfolding revelation of God in the book of Genesis as we conclude this series of studies. He dealt with chosen persons to reveal himself and to carry forward his purpose of redemption of mankind. Abraham and his descendants were to be the medium for this purpose. Hence the covenant was continued through Isaac to Jacob and his sons. Though our lesson concentrates on a dramatic scene in Egypt, it is important to keep the background in mind.

The Lesson Explained

Joseph's Test

When Joseph's brothers first went to Egypt for food, due to the famine in Canaan, Benjamin was not with them. Joseph sent them back to their father with the word that it would be useless to come again for food without bringing Benjamin with them. Jacob refused to let Benjamin go until the threat of starvation forced it, and then on the basis of Judah's pledge to be surety for Benjamin. On the second visit to Egypt, Joseph devised the severest test, secretly having his silver cup concealed in Benjamin's bag. When the brothers were overtaken by Joseph's servants and, to their amazement and shock, Joseph's cup was found in Benjamin's bag, they were helpless. At last they faced up to their guilt in what they had done long before, Judah saying, "God hath found out the iniquity of thy servants." Joseph's brothers were on trial as to whether they would abandon Benjamin — as they had abandoned Joseph years before — and as to whether they would bring new and unbearable sorrow to their aged father in the loss of the lad so dear to him.

Judah's Plea (verses 18-32)

In Judah's intercession for Benjamin, we have one of the most moving and eloquent pleas in literature. It sprang spontaneously from the heart of Judah and expressed the integrity of a new spirit. Judah reviewed the experience of their first visit and Joseph's inquiry about their father and the younger brother. With tenderness Judah spoke of Jacob's affection for Benjamin and of his reluctance to allow Benjamin to go with the older brothers to Egypt when they returned the second time. Judah spoke of Jacob's two sons by Rachel and of having been bereft of one of them—of course referring to Joseph without using his name. And then Judah spoke of the almost unbearable blow that would come to Jacob if Benjamin were not to return to him. The brothers would add to their own guilt by adding sorrow to their father's already heavy load of grief. Throughout Judah's plea, he referred to his father with tenderness and concern; he referred to Benjamin also with concern.

Willing Substitute (Verses 33-34)

The climax of Judah's plea was his offer of himself to become a slave in Benjamin's stead. He would willingly remain in Egypt as a slave of Joseph if only Benjamin could return to his father. The thought of going back himself without Benjamin was really unthinkable: "How shall I go up to my father, and the lad be not with me?" Years before, Judah and the other brothers had been willing to deal treacherously with Joseph, had been almost willing to kill him, and had been willing to lie to Jacob and say that he had evidently been killed by some beast. In other words, they were willing to see their father suffer the greatest measure of grief because of their jelousy and hatred toward Joseph. But now, what a change had taken place in Judah. And we may assume a similar change to a large degree took place in the other brothers. We learn from Judah something of what love will do.

Scooba "Pounds" Pastor, Wife

Rev. J. G. Winscott, pastor of Scooba Church since July 26, is shown with his wife, Janie, as they attended the church's traditional "preacher-pounding" for the new pastor.

The Winscotts' training for the ministry began in St. Louis, Missouri, where both their fathers were and are still Baptist ministers. After they graduated from Mississippi College, Mr. Winscott attended Southwestern and New Orleans Seminaries. He has served as youth director at Second Avenue Baptist Church, Laurel, Minister of Education at Ridgecrest Church, Jackson, and as interim pastor in various churches in Illinois and Mississippi. He moved to Scooba from the pastorate of Ruth Church. Mrs. Winscott, formerly Janie Hewlett, is an elementary school teacher.

Mr. Winscott will also serve as Baptist Student Union Director and teach Bible at East Mississippi Junior College.

Betty Jo Corum, WMU Leader, Dies

BIRMINGHAM (BP) — Betty Jo Corum, director of editorial services, Woman's Missionary Union, died recently in a hospital here following a lengthy illness.

Miss Corum joined the WMU staff in 1965, supervising curriculum development and the editing of publications. Prior to that she edited Intermediate Training Union materials for the Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, for five years; served as director of Junior Training Union work for the Tennessee Baptist Convention; and as educational director for Robertsville Baptist Church, Oakridge, Tenn.

A native of Knoxville, Tenn., Miss Corum wrote **A Corner of Today**, a book of poetry, and was co-author of Hello, World, a youth musical premiered last December at "Mission 70," a youth meeting in Atlanta, Ga. In addition she wrote numerous lesson materials, articles, and poems for Baptist publications.

Survivors include her mother, Mrs. W. W. Corum; a sister, Mrs. Carl Huskinson; a brother, W. Clayton Corum; and an aunt, Mrs. Thomas Corum; all of Knoxville.

Funeral services were held at Mountain Brook Baptist Church, here, where Miss Corum was a member. Graveside services were held Friday at Woodlawn Cemetary in Knoxville, Tenn.

Highland, Jackson Calls Pastor

Rev. Sam Creel has accepted the call to Highland Baptist Church, Jackson, effective Sept. 13.

Mr. Creel has formerly pastored two years at Braxton, six years at Collins, and four years at Bunker Hill, Columbia.

Mr. Creel is married to the former Louise Abernathy of Jackson. They have three children, a son, age 23, married, now residing in Hattiesburg; a daughter, 18, who is enrolled at Hinds Jr. College, and a son, 16, who is a junior in high school this year.

LIFE AND WORK CURRICULUM

Call To Christian Maturity

2 Peter 1

By Bill Duncan

How do you measure growth. If you are speaking of the physical growth of the body, we use inches and pounds. If you are speaking of financial growth, we use monetary terms. But how do you measure the spiritual growth of a Christian. One could mention moral conduct and activity in service. But even then we may not be able to see the motive.

More important than measuring growth is the process. We are concerned that our children grow properly. This is encouraged by diet, rest, exercise and love.

The spiritual growth should be more important. "When I became a man I put away childish things." How did Paul mature in Christian behaviour and attitude?

A Christian is saved by faith in Jesus Christ. This is the quality of life that we all have who are saved. This is the beginning of life. But Peter is urging his people to equip their lives with every virtue. The process is described or add virture to virtue, until the whole culminates in Christian love. In this life of faith there needs to be a steady growth process.

Giving all diligence means to bend every energy. Of course this is a life of faith, but a faith which does not issue in life is not faith at all. Faith is not only a commitment to the promise of Christ; faith is also commitment to the demands of Christ. "Life is at its noblest and its best when our effort co-operates with God's grace, to produce the necessary loveliness."

The process of Christian growth is called by Peter "to equip." The idea of equiping has in its background the furnishing of an army with supplies or a chorus with costumes. So Peter wants to equip the soul with all the necessary and lovely virtues of life in a willing and lavish generosity.

One equips the life by adding to faith which is the acceptance of God at His word.

Virtue: Faith must issue into a life that is effective in the service of God and man. Faith must issue in the coverage always to show whose it is and whom it serves.

Knowledge: To courage must be added practical wisdom to deal with life so that one can act honourable in the day to day circumstances and situations of life.

Temperance: To knowledge must be added self - control in which a man's instincts and passions remain, but remain under perfect control and mastery and so become his servants and not his tyrants.

Patience: To self - control must be added patience. Patience could better be called Christian steadfastness which is the courageous acceptance of everything that life can do to us, and the turning of the worst event into another step on the upward way.

Godliness: To patience must be added Christian acknowledgement to God and to man. The man with godliness seeks a right relationship both with God and his fellow-man.

Brotherly Kindness: To &odliness must be added brotherly affection. There is a kind of religious devotion which will separate a man from his fellow-man. It is wrong for one to feel that human relationship become nothing other than nuisance.

Love: To brotherly affection must be added love. Brotherly affection is not enough. The mature Christian must have a love that seeks the best for the other as God's love has sought this for us. This is the height of virtue. We must have the love of God for all men.

The immature person is ineffective and unfruitful. His life is a contradiction to the truth and his influence is limited. He may will the argument but he is blind to the fact he lost the friend. The effective Christian is one whose life is equipped. The fruitful Christian wins people to faith in Christ by love.

A person may be very capable of being an influence in the community but this does not make him a leader in the church. The growth process of Christians is different from anything else. But this is what builds character and life.

Too many people today show signs of still being children in Christ when they should have grown up. They do not want to accept responsibility. They do not have patience with their neighbors or even fellow Christians. There are some Christians that cannot control their passions. There are some Christians who act so foolish because they do not think as a mature Christian.

The only thing is they need to grow up. One day when Christ shall return it will be too late. The many people that could have been won will not be won. The influence will be ineffective if it is not there. We need to make one another aware of eternity. It is so true that most Christians know better. Peter wanted this to be a present truth. We need to put this in present perpective, and work out the truth of Christian maturity in our lives.

Clarke's Art Instructor

CLARKE'S BROWN FAMILY — Rev. Paul Brown is shown with Mrs. Brown and children (from left) Lynn 9, Beth 4, and Mark and Dan 6, twins, at their new home in Newton. Mr. Brown came from Memphis, where he formerly served the Oakhaven Church as pastor for nine years and was later admissions counselor for Union University. He will be the first instructor in art at Clarke College and will also teach some Bible courses.

Mrs. W. R. White Dies; Wife of Former Baylor President

WACO, Tex. (BP)—Mrs. W. R. White, wife of Baylor University President Emeritus W. R. White, died Sept. 14 in her home here after a two-year illness.

Funeral services were held Sept. 16 in Miller Chapel on the Baylor campus, and later on the same day at First Baptist Church, Dallas. Interment was in Rockwood, Tenn.

White was president of Baylor University, the nation's largest Baptist school, from 1948-61, when he became chancellor. He retired in 1963, and has been leading Bible conferences across the nation since then.

Mt. Olive Pastor Given New Car

The pastor of First Baptist Church, Mt. Olive, Rev. Foy Killingsworth, is the proud recipient of a new Impala Chevrolet. The new car, all power and air conditioned, was bought and paid for by the men of the church. Shown presenting the keys to the pastor is Earl McLeod, chairman of deacons. Others in the picture, and who were on the committee that made the purchase and presented the car to the pastor are: Paul Williamson, M. L. Graham, and Fred Yates.

Nationwide Conference Is Set For International Students

NASHVILLE (BP) — The first nationwide International Student Conference has been scheduled for Dec. 19-22 at Georgia Baptist Assembly, Toccoa, Ga.

"Ye Are My Witness" is the conference theme. "The purpose of the conference is to aid international students in recognizing their responsibility to be a witness for Christ on his campus," Charles Roselle, secretary, student department, Southern Baptist Sunday School Board, said.

Conference personnel include Joyce Fan, professor of chemistry, Houston Baptist College, Houston, Tex.; Harold Reeves, Asia representative, Radio - Television Commission, Fort Worth, Tex.; Eva Marie Kennard, international student worker, University of California, Berkeley; Cessar Scott, consultant to black universities, Baptist General Association of Virginia and Miss Pauline Oh, international student worker, Malaysia.

Also participating will be Benton Williams, consultant, international student work, Southern Baptist Sunday School Board and Charles Roselle.

Conference participants will dress in national costume. They also will sing hymns in their national languages. The conference is sponsored by the student department of the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board.

Providence (Yazoo) Sets Homecoming

Homecoming services for Providence Church, Yazoo County, will be held Sunday, Sept. 27.

Sunday school will be held at 10 a. m., worship at 11 a. m., dinner on the ground at noon and worship service again in the afternoon.

Rev. C. J. Olander, of Tchula, pastor of the church back in 1915, will bring the messages at both the worship services.

Rev. Robert D. Martin of Bentonia is pastor.

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Devotional

Spectators

By Charles Myers, Pastor, Alta Woods, Jackson

We are told often that our nation has become a nation of spectators. It is commonplace to see from fifty to one hundred thousand people gather in a stadium to watch eighteen or twenty two men perform. Nearly every home has a television set on which the family watches other people perform. Doctors have deplored the flabbiness which this non-participation has caused. This spectator attitude is not new to our generation but has in reality characterized men down through the ages.

The scene at the cross affords such a study in human behaviour. Grouped around the foot of the cross and in the front of the crowd were those who violently opposed Jesus. They jeered, ridiculed, and made all manner of fun of Him. They were men who had gained a victory and they were making the most of it. No one in that crowd questioned for a moment whose side they were on nor could they question the enthusiasm in their victory. At the rear of the crowd was a small group of men and women who were dejected and defeated. It was evident that they loved Christ and that they suffered as He suffered. It was also evident that they were aware of defeat, and that they had accepted that defeat. Mingled in with the sorrow which they felt was a fear; a fear that the enthusiastic group at the front of the crowd might turn their fury upon them.

In between these two groups was the large group present for the crucifixion. Luke describes them when he says, "The people stood beholding." They were just spectators. Perhaps, they sympathized with Him and thought to themselves it was a shame for one so young and fine looking to die like this. Perhaps, they were influenced by the group in the front and thought within themselves He is getting just what He deserves. But whatever they thought they apparently did nothing but stand and look.

Their actions were typical of most any crowd at any accident. There will be those there who are deeply touched and would like to help. There will be those who are cold and critical. But the largest group will be those who are not too concerned. They are spectators, just standing and watching.

These are the attitudes which are prevalent around the world today toward Christ. There is a small group who earnestly seek to advance His cause. They are devoted to Him and they enthusiastically seek to bring others to Him. There is a small group which violently oppose Him. They are embittered by His influence and would do everything they could to destroy it. But the vast majority of the people are just spectators, neither for nor against. They are quite smug in their neutrality. At times they even boast about it. They pride themselves on the fact that they never offend anyone with their religious beliefs.

Secluded Groups Conference Dates Are Announced

Secluded Groups Conferences, sponsored by the Cooperative Missions Department, Mississippi Baptist Convention Board, will be held September 29 at First Church, Raleigh; September 30 at First Church, Carthage; and October 1 at First Church, Mendenhall.

Program personalities will include Rev. John McBride (pictured), assistant secretary, Department of Rural - Urban Missions, Home Mission Board, Atlanta, Ga.; Rev. Cecil Pumphrey, pastor, East Morton Church; Rev. Holmes Carlisle, superintendent of missions, Scott County; Rev. Andrew Foster, missionary to migrants; and Dr. Foy Rogers, director, Cooperative Missions Department.

Each of the conferences will begin at 10 a. m., followed by lunch, and afternoon sessions beginning at 1. Churches where the conferences are meeting will furnish the lunches.

MC TO OFFER JOURNALISM

A member of one of Mississippi's pioneer newspaper families will initiate a new course in journalism at Mississippi College this fall.

Rea Hederman of Canton, editor of the Madison County Herald, will teach a course entitled Journalism 330A on Thursday nights at the college. The class will meet at 6:30 p.m. in Room 107 of Aven Hall. The first meeting is set for Sept. 24.

The course will carry three semester hours of undergraduate credit in either English or speech. Originally scheduled for Monday evenings, the class was moved to Thursday to better accomodate the instructor's schedule.

Luper Returns To Carey Faculty

William Carey College has welcomed back this school year Professor Ray Luper and his family. Luper, who has been completing his doctoral program in music at Tulane University for the past several years, returns to teach in the Carey School of Music. He has served numerous Baptist churches in the Hattiesburg area as minister of music and the entire family is well-known in the community. Shown with Ray and Myrl Luper are their four children, from left: Rob, Terri, Janet, and Judy.

"House Uv Truth" Begins Ministry

By Billy Jack Green

The story to be told is of a building, a trip, a group of kids, a college girl, a church, but perhaps most of all it is the story of the moving of the Holy Spirit. The setting is not a foreign field, or even an obscure section of America, rather it is within the confines of Mississippi, more precisely the city limits of Jackson.

For years the people of Terry Road south have called it the hut. It refers to an 18 by 26 foot concrete block structure with an adequate roof, four walls, too many windows, a repulsive smell, and an excess of rubbish. The youth of the Baptist church which owns the forsaken hut got an idea to do something with the building located adjacent to the softball field. It was July in the middle of the summer and everything was moving slowly.

The Youth Singers were set for their July tour to Florida and the project died for the moment. Until the "Pound of Pop" walked into the "Good Thief" in Orlando to carry out a singing engagement. The light bulb turned on. The kids were thrilled to see the Christian witness opportunity of a unique building. Why can't we do it at the Hut ? At this time we might say that the flesh was willing, but the spirit was weak.

Out of the darkest night God's light shall shine most bright. A revival broke out on the last night of the choir tour in the First Baptist Church of Wiggins. Forty decisions were made for Christ, and the youth began to pray, "Let it last." The group returned home to spread their new found faith-fire with the youth who had not made the trip. After several prayer sessions the decisions were made to begin a clean - up on the hut and to begin reaching friends through the weekly visitation ministry of the church.

The highschoolers cleaned the hut with mops, brooms, shovels, and wire brushes. A fan was added for circulation, a church member bricked up the windows for appearance and security, but then things came to a halt once again. The Tuesday visitation groups continued to grow. There were 28, 32, 36, 29, and 36. Youth made decisions for Christ every week. Two of the young people called to preach delivered their first messages during the month of August. The Spirit was alive and doing well in the church, but the hut was again gathering dust.

Several of the boys in the group volunteered to cut the church lawn for a couple of weeks to earn some money to paint the hut. Another church member gave ten gallons of white paint for the outside. The paint went on. The dirty gray became a sparkling, clean white. The inside of the hut was clean once more, but things were not yet right, something missing, progress stopped.

The college girl we mentioned in the heading enters stage right from a pioneer mission summer in North Dakota. She had been revived spiritually by the fantastic experiences of three months of hard work in God's vineyard. Her Sunday night testimony struck the ears and hearts of everyone present. When she came by to talk to a staff member about what she might do if she dedicated her school year to working for the Master; the light turned on!

The paint came in fire engine red, gloss black, capistrano blue, parrot green, and the hut came alive. For two weeks the kids worked against the deadline of the opening of school. A counter was made out of a plywood gift and some very inexpensive tile, and an interested youth worker added some beautiful bar stools. Carpet scraps were stitched together for the floor, and the old coke machine was moved in as a refrigerator. The hut was given a new name by the kids: "House Uv Truth." It would still be the hut, but now the one who said "I am the Truth" would have first place. The fellowship and witnessing hut will provide a place for youth to bring friends who have lost their way to hear "God Talk." The weekly program will include Tuesday visitation and prayer groups, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday night programmed entertainment and "God Talk."

The story here told was really just beginning on Saturday night, September 12, at 8:00 when the doors of the House Uv Truth opened for the first time. The great Spirit of God will be praised for the great things He has done, is doing, and shall do.

The now story is of Daniel Memorial Baptist Church, 3784 Terry Road, Jackson, where Dr. Allen O. Webb is pastor.

REVIVAL RESULTS

Greenfield Church, Greenville: August. 24-Sept. 3, Rev. Joe Murray, Houston, Texas, evangelist; Francis LaRocque, of Lake Charles, La., music evangelist; over 100 professions of faith; 17 by letter and over 200 other decisions; Rev. Paul Brooks, pastor.

Lone Pine: July 26-31; Rev. Early Brown, pastor; Rev. Alford E. Evans, evangelist; Dewayne Tenten, singer; Mrs. Alford E. Evans, pianist; one profession of faith; 14 rededications; "God is still blessing our people after the revival," states the pastor.

Clergymen Drug Abuse Conference Materials Available

Dr. J. Clark Hensley, Executive Director, Christian Action Commission, has announced that the proceedings of the spring meeting of the Drug Abuse Conference for Clergymen are now available. They may be ordered from the Bureau of Pharmaceutical Services, University of Mississippi, University, Mississippi 38677, for $1.50 per copy. The conference was jointly sponsored by the Bureau of the the University, the Christian Action Commission and organizations representing the Methodist, Presbyterian and Episcopal churches. The book of proceedings includes all the addresses given at the conference as they were transcribed from tape recordings.

LEAKE PASTORS ELECT OFFICERS

New Officers for the coming year were elected at the meeting Sept. 12 of the Leake County Pastors' Conference, as follows:

President, Rev. Herbert Eichelberger, Conway; vice-president, Rev. Ed Campbell, Thomastown; secretary, Rev. John Campbell, Good Hope; and program chairman, Rev. Richard Carraway, Lena.

Vancleave Calls Pastor

Rev. W. F. Lescallette was greeted with a pounding upon his arrival at Vancleave Church, Jackson Association, August 12, as pastor.

A native of Wachapreague, Virginia, he spent over eight years in the U. S. Coast Guard. He graduated in May, 1970, with a B. A. degree from Louisiana College, Pineville, with a major in religion. Formerly he was pastor of Glacier Valley Baptist Church (which he was instrumental in founding) in Juneau, Alaska. For the past three and one-half years he was pastor of Pine Grove Church, Ruby, La.

Among several honors received during his college career were his winning of the "Best Sermon of the Year" award from the college for 1968-69, and his attending Southwestern Seminary, on an honorary grant during his senior year. He plans to continue his education at New Orleans Seminary in January, 1971.

Mrs. Lescallette is the former Grace Marie Shrieves of Parksley, Va. She is currently attending William Carey College, through the Jackson County Junior College as a Junior. Members of the church welcomed Mrs. Lescallette by a shopping event. The couple have a son, Mark, eight, and a daughter, Cindy, four.

The Vancleave Church had been served by Rev. Bill Barton, administrator of the Home of Grace, Vancleave, for one year as interim pastor. Mr. Barton's services to the Vancleave Church were deeply appreciated by its membership, and contributed much to the clear and definite movement in the church of spiritual revival which marked the arrival of the new pastor. The church has already, since the pastor's coming, approved a $10,000 remodeling program involving the sanctuary.

Off The Record

A traveler was about to write his name on the hotel register in a small Middle Western town when he saw a bedbug crawl across the page.

"That beats me!" he said, flinging down the pen. "I've been bitten by fleas in Missouri, mosquitoes in Jersey, horseflies in Maine, and chiggers in Kansas — but this is the first place I was ever in where a bug looked over the hotel register to find out the number of my room!"

The secretary was turning the pages of the dictionary, flipping them back and forth until finally another office worker asked what she was trying to find.

"Bankruptcy," she answered.

"Well, why are you looking in the back of the dictionary?"

"I know how to spell bank," said the girl, "now I'm looking for ruptcy."

Wife: "The couple next door are so devoted. He kisses her every time they meet. Why don't you do that?"

Hubby: "I don't even know her."

One sure way to cure insomnia is simply to imagine it's time to get up.

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Names In The News

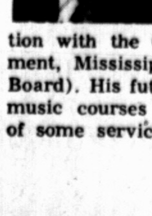
Seven new William Carey College students have been selected for special music scholarships, according to Dr. Donald Winters, dean of the School of Music of the college. All are freshmen who plan to become music majors. They are **Becky Ware**, Mobile, Alabama; **Terry Craven**, Laurel; **Helen Driskell**, Semmes, Alabama; **Walter R. Hinton, Jr.**, Hattiesburg; **Sandra Spangeberg**, Chipley, Fla.; **Kenneth Russell**, New Sarpy, La.; **Nelda Durant**, Bay Minette, Alabama.

Paul Winston Spikes, 116 Southdale St., Starkville, received the Ph.D. degree from the Auburn University, Alabama, on August 28. Dr. Spikes has spent most of his life in Mississippi, having earned both B. S. and M. A. degrees from the University of Southern Mississippi. He was associate professor at William Carey College before receiving a scholarship from Auburn University and enrolling there to work on his doctorate. During the time he was at Auburn, he taught at a junior college in Alexander City, Alabama. He is married to the former Jean Taylor of Isola. They have two sons, Mike and Guy. His parents are Rev. and Mrs. J. M. Spikes of 705 Farnell Lane, Mobile, Ala., former Mississippians. (His father was formerly pastor in Mississippi.) Dr. Spikes has accepted a postion on the faculty at Mississippi State University.

Rose Lovern, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wayne M. Lovern, has been named to the freshman Honors Program for the fall semester at William Carey. She is a recent graduate of Leland High School in Leland Mississippi.

Rev. Spurgeon S. Kelley has resigned at Center Ridge Church in Clarke County, and has accepted a call from Sardis Church in Copiah County. Already on the field, he lives at Rt. 1, Hazlehurst.

Charles J. Cone, who graduated from Clarke College in 1967 and from Mississippi College in May, 1970, will be teaching in Salem, Arkansas this year, in the field of choral music and band. At MC, he majored in trombone and music education. He worked in churches all over the state during the summers of 1969-70 (in association with the Church Music Department, Mississippi Baptist Convention Board). His future plans are to teach music courses in college and to be of some service in a church.



Rev. L. D. "Buddy" Jones was recently ordained to the Gospel Ministry by Bethlehem Church, Morton. The ordination was requested by Grace Church, Route 2, Vicksburg, where Mr. Jones is serving as pastor. Participating in the services were Rev. Delma Gipson, pastor of Bethlehem, and Rev. Pete Jackson, pastor of Lake Church. A reception was held following the service in honor of Rev. and Mrs. Jones. The Jones family now lives on the church field, and he is enrolled at Mississippi College.

Doug VanDevender, missionary journeyman, will spend two years as an English teacher and youth worker in Vietnam (address: P. O. Box 134, Danang, Vietnam). Born in Corpus Christi, Tex., he lived in Mississippi, Kentucky, Texas and Virginia while growing up. He was graduated from Bluefield (Va.) College and Mississippi College.

Miss Geri Sullivan, missionary journeyman, was scheduled to depart Aug. 20 for a two - year term of service as an elementary school teacher in India (address: 190 Sankey Road, Upper Palace Orchards, Bangalore 6, India). A native of Jackson, Miss., she was graduated from Mississippi College, Clinton.

Miss Dorotha Lott, missionary who has completed furlough in the States, was scheduled to return Aug. 29 to Brazil (address: Caixa 950-ZC-00, Rio de Janeiro, Guanabara, Brazil). Miss Lott, a native of Sumrall, Miss., was appointed by the Foreign Mission Board in 1964.

Rev. and Mrs. Elton P. Gray, recently employed Southern Baptist missionary associates to Okinawa, are attending missionary orientation which began Sept. 7 at Callaway Gardens near Pine Mountain, Ga. (address: P. O. Box 535, Pine Mountain, Ga. 31822). He is a native of Loretto, Tenn.; she is the former Dottie Eavenson of Marks, Miss. They were employed by the Foreign Mission Board in July.

Dr. and Mrs. R. H. Falwell Jr., Southern Baptist missionary associates who will serve in Hong Kong, are attending missionary orientation which began Sept. 7 at Callaway Gardens near Pine Mountain, Ga. (address: P. O. Box 535, Pine Mountain, Ga. 31822). He is a native of Murray, Ky., and she is from Sallis, Miss.

Shepard Resigns First, Tupelo To Accept Florida Post

Dr. Samuel G. Shepard, pastor, First Baptist Church, Tupelo, since 1963, has resigned to become pastor of the Little River Maptist Church of Miami, Fla.

Dr. Shepard

The Miami ministry includes a large Spanish congregation and a full day-care program staffed by a Spanish pastor and two other full-time Home Mission workers, with one of the most active weekday missions programs in the city.

The eleven hundred member church has a budget of $80,000.

Dr. Shepard came to Mississippi from a five-year pastorate at Erlanger, Kentucky, and has enjoyed a fruitful ministry in Tupelo with more than 700 members added.

Other achievements of the church under his leadership include a major building program, with new building for nursery through junior departments, remodeling to include the intermediate and two adult departments, and the enlarging and improving the sanctuary facilities; iniation of a youth program and a number of other innovations.

For four years Dr. Shepard served on the Christian Action Commission. He taught five years at the Tupelo Center of the Mississippi Baptist Seminary, served twice as president of the Lee County Pastors' Conference and one year as president of the Tupelo Ministerial Association.

Mrs. Shepard served as W.M.U. District President for three years and taught in the Tupelo school system.

Both Dr. and Mrs. Shepard were born of missionary parents and have been highly motivated toward missionary related service. Dr. Shepard served as military Chaplain, Navy, World War II, and presently holds the rank of Lt. Commander, Naval Reserve.

The Shepards have one son, Bob, who graduated from Mississippi State and is now an ensign in the U. S. Navy. Their daughter, Betty, is a merit scholar freshman at Baylor University.

Dr. James Travis, Blue Mountain College, will serve as interim pastor at First, Tupelo.

Arm To Present Artist

Presenting the gospel by chalk drawings is not a new art; but it is still an effective method of dramatizing the good news. Rev. Dale Kinsey seeks to portray the gospel via chalk drawings and preaching in combination. Using a drawing board and lighting system he designed and constructed himself, he seeks to make vivid Biblical truths.

He is assisted in music by Larry Lee. Both are students at New Orleans Seminary. They will present a chalk drawing at Arm Church on Saturday night, September 26 at 7:00 P.M. The public is invited, states the pastor, Rev. Tommy Morgan.

Baptist Men's Programs Initiate Curriculum Changes

Beginning in October, two innovations in Baptist Men's curriculum will make monthly programs for Baptist Men more flexible and more interesting.

These innovations are "Prayer Group Programs" and "Undated Program."

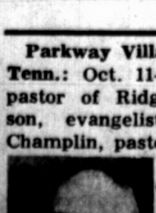
1. **Prayer Group Programs** — To aid Baptist Men's officers who must plan brief programs for men's prayer groups, a new section, "Prayer Group Programs," has been introduced in **Guide**, the quarterly publication for officers of Baptist Men. Each quarter, this section will contain three brief monthly programs centered around prayer for missions. Each program should run about 10-15 minutes, depending upon the length of time spent in prayer.

2. **Undated Program** — At times, there may be regular monthly programs which Baptist Men's officers feel will not interest or aid their men. To provide a substitute, a second feature has been introduced in each issue of **Guide**, called "Undated Program." This program may be used any time during the quarter; or it may be saved and used in future months. The undated emphases will usually follow this pattern: **Fall — Stewardship Emphasis; Winter — Evangelistic Emphasis; Spring — Mission Emphasis; Summer — Royal Ambassadors Emphasis.**

Baptist Men's Journal will usually contain reading material related to these emphases. (See "The Coaches Tithe" in the October-December issue of **Journal**.) Both **Guide** and **Journal** are available from the Brotherhood Commission, 1548 Poplar Avenue, Memphis, Tennessee 38104.

Revival Dates

Parkway Village Church, Memphis, Tenn.: Oct. 11-16; Dr. Earl Kelly, pastor of Ridgecrest Church, Jackson, evangelist; Rev. Michael Champlin, pastor.



Rocky Creek Church, Route 4, Lucedale: Sept. 27 - Oct. 2; Rev. Vance Havner, (pictured) evangelist; services 7:30 p. m.; Rev. John Merck, pastor.

Woodlawn Church, Vicksburg: Sept. 27-Oct. 4; Rev. J. D. Watson, evangelist; J. Blackwell, lead singing; Edwin Sudduth, play instrument; services 9:05 a. m. (broadcast over radio station WKYV-FM, Vicksburg) and 7:30 p. m.; Rev. Carl S. Barnes, pastor.

Eudora Church, Memphis, Tenn.: Sept. 21-27; Dr. Earl Kelly, pastor of Ridgecrest Church, Jackson, evangelist; Dr. Fred Wood, pastor.